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COUNTY VOICE

The Voice of the Haliburton Highlands - Locally Owned and Operated

OPP make \$2.5 M bust on Gelert Rd

By: Mark Arike - Reporter

A \$2.5 million marijuana grow was uncovered in the Township of Minden Hills on Wednesday, Sept. 8 by officers with the O.P.P. Organized Crime Enforcement Bureau – Drug Enforcement Unit.

The bust occurred after the officers executed a Controlled Drugs and Substances Act search warrant at a property located at 5202 Gelert Rd.

"There would have been about a half a dozen officers [that showed up]," said O.P.P. Const. Mark McMaster of the successful seizure of 2,500 outdoor plants.



The Gelert Road property where the bust was made.

As a result of the investigation, Anthony Simms 65 years of Minden Hills Township has been charged with Production of a Schedule II Drug (Marijuana). Mr. Simms will be appearing in Minden Court on November 3, 2010 in relation to the charge.

Canoe Race... cont'd on page 2

Council approves changes to bylaw for Watercolours

By: Laura Redman - Reporter

Shades of red might be appropriate for the proposed Watercolours development in Haliburton – brighter red for a renewed urgency in getting approvals in place, and a lighter rose-colour for councils' continued support.

Dysart et al council voted on Monday morning to amend four zoning regulations in the draft bylaw and to support a request to the Ontario Municipal Board for site plan approval for the multi-residential housing project that is proposed for land, just west of the village of Haliburton.

Hal Kersey, vice president of planning and development for Mady Development Corporation, the proposed builder of Watercolours of Haliburton Ltd., expressed his regrets and said that during the process for the site plan approval by the OMB, it was discovered that there were "some inconsistencies with respect to what was in the regulations that were drafted for the OMB hearing and what we had shown in the original plans."

"I want to make one thing abundantly and

absolutely clear," Kersey said, "We are not here to change anything. The plans that we've shown from day one are still the plans that we're pursuing and moving forward with through site plan approval."

The amendments to the bylaw as requested include:

- decrease the required four loading spaces to two
- increase the allowable lot coverage from 25 to 37 per cent
- decrease the allowable parking space width from 3 to 2.7 metres
- decrease the allowable parking aisle size from 7 to 6 metres

Speaking to each request, Kersey said he believed the two loading spaces were adequate for a seniors' multi-residential property, given that the main use of the loading areas would be for people moving in and moving out and that time would be scheduled.

Watercolours... cont'd on page 2



Eric Baker, winner of the Men's Legend Solo Class, negotiates gate #2 at the 30th Annual Gull River Open Canoe Slalom Championship held at the Minden Wild Water Preserve this past weekend

Up the creek, with a paddle

By: Lyn Winans - Photojournalist

Some of the best canoeists from Ontario, Quebec and the eastern United States competed at the Minden Wild Water Preserve this past weekend during the 30th Annual Gull River Open Canoe Slalom Championship.

The Gull slalom course, like others, consists of a series of 18 to 24 gates. Competitors are timed and must negotiate the gates in their numerical order, with time penalties added for touching or missing gates. The entry fee is nominal and financial

prizes non-existent, it's the camaraderie and love of the sport that draws these competitors to the Gull, expert and beginner alike. The competition included solo and tandem events where the junior-senior category included father-daughter teams, and gave young enthusiasts an opportunity to experience the thrill of running fast water with an experienced and trusted paddler in the stern. Newcomers and veterans alike took turns negotiating the gates. The more competitive entries often

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FRIDAY



Morning clouds, then clearing

▲ 16° ▼ 7°

SATURDAY



Slight chance of showers late

▲ 20° ▼ 10°

SUNDAY



Slight chance of showers late

▲ 22° ▼ 13°

MONDAY



Mostly cloudy and cooler

▲ 18° ▼ 8°

TUESDAY



Milder with a slight chance of t-storms

▲ 21° ▼ 12°

WEDNESDAY



Chance of showers and thunderstorms

▲ 23° ▼ 14°

AROUND THE REGION: A storm system will spread to our south today and produce a few showers over the area. Highs will be near 13. Showers will gradually come to an end tonight. Lows will be near 8. The clouds will exit the region tomorrow morning with sunshine in the afternoon. Highs will be near 16. Clouds and a few showers will be experienced this weekend.

Your Unofficial Lotto Numbers



10-Sep-2010

04 17 27 32 34 39 47
BONUS 13

ENCORE 0265670



11-Sep-2010

03 09 11 13 27 45
BONUS 05

ENCORE 6186130

TROPICAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Low/Otk	Friday Hi/Low/Otk	Saturday Hi/Low/Otk	City	Today Hi/Low/Otk	Friday Hi/Low/Otk	Saturday Hi/Low/Otk
Acapulco	32/26/ts	31/26/ts	29/25/ts	Montego Bay	32/26/ts	32/26/ts	32/26/ts
Antigua	31/26/ts	31/26/ts	29/26/ts	Nassau	33/26/ts	33/26/ts	33/26/su
Barbados	31/26/ts	31/26/ts	29/26/ts	Port au Prince	33/25/ts	33/26/ts	32/24/ts
Bermuda	28/24/su	29/25/pc	27/24/ts	Puerto Vallarta	32/25/ts	31/25/ts	32/25/ts
Cancun	31/26/ts	31/25/ts	32/26/ts	St Thomas	31/27/ts	31/26/ts	31/27/ts
Curacao	33/27/ts	33/27/ts	32/26/ts	St Maarten	31/27/pc	31/26/ts	31/27/ts
Freeport	32/24/su	32/26/ts	32/25/su	San Jose, CR	26/18/ts	26/17/ts	27/17/ts
Georgetown	33/24/ts	34/24/ts	32/24/ts	San Juan	32/26/ts	31/26/ts	32/26/ts
Havana	32/23/ts	32/23/ts	33/23/ts	San Salvador	29/21/ts	30/22/ts	30/21/ts
Key West	32/27/ts	31/27/ts	32/27/ts	Santo Domingo	31/23/ts	31/24/ts	31/24/ts
Kingston	31/26/ts	31/26/ts	32/26/ts	Trinidad	33/24/ts	34/25/ts	33/24/ts

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Low/Otk	Friday Hi/Low/Otk	Saturday Hi/Low/Otk	Sunday Hi/Low/Otk	Monday Hi/Low/Otk	Tuesday Hi/Low/Otk	Wednesday Hi/Low/Otk
Bancroft	13/7/sh	16/7/pc	20/10/cl	22/13/sh	18/8/cl	21/12/ts	23/14/ts
Barrie	13/13/sh	16/8/pc	21/11/cl	23/13/sh	19/9/cl	22/13/ts	24/14/ts
Dorset	13/7/sh	16/7/pc	20/10/cl	22/12/sh	18/8/cl	21/12/ts	23/13/ts
Haliburton	13/8/sh	16/7/su	20/10/cl	22/13/sh	18/8/cl	21/12/ts	23/14/ts
Huntsville	13/7/sh	16/7/su	20/10/cl	22/12/sh	18/8/cl	21/12/ts	23/13/ts
Kingston	14/9/sh	17/8/pc	21/11/cl	24/13/sh	20/9/cl	22/13/ts	24/15/ts
Lindsay	13/8/sh	16/8/pc	21/11/cl	23/13/sh	19/9/cl	22/13/ts	24/14/ts
Minden	13/8/sh	16/7/pc	20/10/cl	22/13/sh	18/8/cl	21/12/ts	23/14/ts
Oshawa	15/9/sh	18/8/pc	22/12/cl	24/14/sh	21/10/cl	23/14/ts	24/15/ts
Ottawa	14/6/pc	18/7/su	21/11/cl	22/13/cl	20/8/sh	21/13/ts	23/14/sh
Toronto	16/9/sh	18/9/pc	22/12/cl	24/14/sh	21/10/cl	23/14/ts	24/15/ts

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Low/Otk	Friday Hi/Low/Otk	Saturday Hi/Low/Otk	Sunday Hi/Low/Otk	Monday Hi/Low/Otk	Tuesday Hi/Low/Otk	Wednesday Hi/Low/Otk
Calgary	8/0/ra	13/6/su	10/3/sh	9/2/sh	8/2/sh	9/3/sh	16/7/pc
Edmonton	11/-1/cl	10/-1/pc	7/-4/cl	7/-3/cl	6/-4/cl	7/-3/pc	11/2/pc
Fredericton	13/7/sh	17/5/su	20/12/sh	18/9/pc	17/7/pc	18/8/sh	18/9/sh
Halifax	14/7/pc	17/9/sh	20/13/sh	19/12/pc	17/10/pc	18/12/pc	19/14/sh
Montreal	14/5/pc	17/7/su	21/11/cl	21/13/cl	19/9/sh	21/13/ts	22/14/sh
Regina	13/3/sh	13/4/pc	9/3/sh	9/2/sh	8/2/sh	9/2/sh	16/5/cl
St. John's	13/8/sh	14/7/pc	20/11/pc	19/10/sh	18/9/sh	18/9/pc	19/10/sh
Saskatoon	8/0/sh	9/0/pc	8/-1/cl	8/-2/cl	7/-2/cl	8/-2/cl	13/2/pc
Vancouver	19/13/sh	17/13/pc	17/12/sh	17/13/sh	18/13/sh	18/13/su	20/13/su
Whitehorse	19/7/su	18/5/su	19/9/cl	17/8/cl	16/7/cl	17/8/pc	16/7/pc
Winnipeg	16/8/sh	13/5/pc	10/2/cl	9/0/cl	10/2/sh	11/2/cl	10/2/cl

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Last seven days	High	Low	Prec.
Monday 9/13	19°C	11°C	1.0 mm
Sunday 9/12	17°C	11°C	1.3 mm
Saturday 9/11	20°C	7°C	0.0 mm
Friday 9/10	15°C	8°C	0.5 mm
Thursday 9/9	15°C	11°C	0.0 mm
Wednesday 9/8	16°C	12°C	0.0 mm
Tuesday 9/7	25°C	15°C	2.8 mm

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SUN & MOON

Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set
Thu. 6:54 a.m./7:23 p.m.	4:03 p.m./12:06 a.m.
Fri. 6:55 a.m./7:21 p.m.	4:38 p.m./1:07 a.m.
Sat. 6:56 a.m./7:19 p.m.	5:06 p.m./2:11 a.m.
Sun. 6:57 a.m./7:17 p.m.	5:30 p.m./3:14 a.m.
Mon. 6:59 a.m./7:15 p.m.	5:52 p.m./4:17 a.m.
Tues. 7:00 a.m./7:14 p.m.	6:12 p.m./5:19 a.m.
Wed. 7:01 a.m./7:12 p.m.	6:32 p.m./6:20 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
Sept. 23	Sept. 30	Oct. 7	Oct. 14

Council trades geese for shrubs

■ By Laura Redman - Reporter

Three areas of Head Lake shoreline will be planted with native plants thanks to a Cottage Life grant and Dysart's council's stamp of approval on Monday. Leora Berman, program manager with The Land Between, appeared at council with Nicole Tuyten, stewardship coordinator with the Haliburton Highlands Stewardship Council to ask council to support their request to use the \$3,500 received from the new grant program to help naturalize the shoreline.

Last fall, Cottage Life magazine introduced a series of environmental grants and the Stewardship Council, in partnership with the Outdoors Association, were successful in their application to receive funds.

Berman said the plantings would also help to deter geese, attract songbirds, help with the nitrogen uptake, and set an example for shoreline residents. The shrubs to be planted in the spring will include highbush cranberry, spirea alba, red osier dogwood.

Reeve Murray Fearrey said the geese are a serious issue at Head Lake. When Berman clarified that the goose population would probably only be reduced by the measures, not eliminated, Fearrey still approved.

"I'd give you my own personal dollars to reduce the population," Fearrey joked. "But seriously, the situation is deplorable."

Berman said the project will also receive an additional \$1,000 from the Haliburton Rotary Club. ■

Watercolours cont'd from page 1

As for the maximum lot coverage, Kersey pointed the finger at his architects and called the need for the increase, "a very unfortunate error."

"When preparing the statistics that they showed on the drawings, they had not succinctly reviewed the definition of lot coverage, which unfortunately, in this particular case, includes the parking structure," Kersey said, adding that building coverages often deal with buildings only, and parking garages have their own definitions, but in this draft bylaw, the two are combined.

"I think to mitigate the effect of using the parking structure as part of the coverage, we're planning to design a very elaborate green garden terrace space on top of that, so there will not be parking on top... it will be attractive on the top."

As for the request to decrease the parking space and aisle sizes, Kersey said most parking garages are based on six-metre grids designed for standard slab sizes in concrete, but in the proposed development they require relief from the bylaw because the width of some parking spaces will be compromised by the location of structural columns every two spaces.

Dysart et al Planner Pat Martin said the requested amendments to the size of parking spaces are consistent with current requirements in

the municipalities of Gravenhurst, Bracebridge and Huntsville.

"Generally ours are larger, because we tend to have more truck traffic in this area," Martin said, adding that with a seniors' residence, truck traffic may not be an issue.

Bill Davis, deputy reeve, said if it was a case of just reconfiguring the parking space sizes, he was in full support.

"I sit on the board of the Kawartha Lakes and Haliburton housing authority and I can tell you that in this community, there's 138 people looking for accommodations of this kind," Davis said. "We have an extreme housing problem in Haliburton County, and I support what you want to do."

After council had voted to support the changes, Kersey said the Watercolours application process was "unorthodox" because in this instance, they need to create a site plan before they can put the official zoning in place. When asked about the timeline in moving forward with Watercolours, Kersey smiled.

"I've been asked to get it done, as soon as possible." ■

Gelert Bust cont'd from page 1

During last year's harvest season (late September and early October), officers located 12 marijuana plots with a total of 5,650 plants on them in Haliburton County.

"The street value is about \$1,000 per plant," McMaster said.

Members of the public are reminded that should they come upon a marijuana grow they should leave the area and call police at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

What to look for: Common indicators of outdoor marijuana grows

Abandoned vehicles parked on side roads or trails

People observed walking in remote areas for no apparent reason

Bags of fertilizer, planting trays or chemicals located in remote areas

Well trampled trails in wooded or swamp areas

Cleared out areas in swamps, wooded area or corn fields

Numerous signs appear out of nowhere indicating "No Trespassing" ■

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Property Owner and Contractor fined for unauthorized work on 12 Mile Lake

Two men were fined for unauthorized shoreline work on a Twelve Mile Lake property.

John Stewart of Mississauga, the cottage owner, and Andy Baur of West Guilford, the contractor, pleaded guilty to filling shorelands without a Public Lands Act work permit. They were fined \$2,000 and \$1,000 respectively.

The court heard that, in the process of constructing a crib, river rock was deposited on the lake bed, covering approximately 360 square feet. The maximum footprint allowed to cover the bed of a lake, without first obtaining a work permit is 160 square feet or 15 square metres.

Justice of the Peace Diane Jackson heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice, Minden on September 2, 2010.

The ministry reminds cottagers and other shoreline property owners to contact the nearest ministry office before starting any shoreline work so staff can determine if a work permit is needed. Publications are also available from the ministry to assist waterfront property owners in determining how to do shoreline work with minimal impact on the environment.

To report a natural resources violation, call 1-877-TIPS-MNR (847-7667) toll-free any time or contact your local ministry officer during regular business hours. You can also call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). ■

Canoe races cont'd from page 1



Canoeists of all stripes celebrated 20 years of Open races at the Minden Whitewater

paddled "sparks", canoes with a camouflage exterior specifically designed for competition in fast water, but there were less expensive and battered canoes among the fleet.

"It's like Thanksgiving for Open Canoeists" said race co-founder Wendy Grater reflecting on the 30 years of Open canoe slalom races at the Minden Wildwater Preserve on the Gull River.

"We started with 17 foot canoes with inner tubes and now have second generation paddlers competing for the medals" The race has a wonderful atmosphere in an idyllic setting. The pristine waters of this section of the Gull River attract paddlers from all over Ontario and is a world class venue for white-water competition. "It is such a cool event" says event organizer Mark Scriver. "Between practice runs and racing up to four or five classes, you can get a lot of paddling in and everyone is so supportive and encouraging. It has something for everyone."

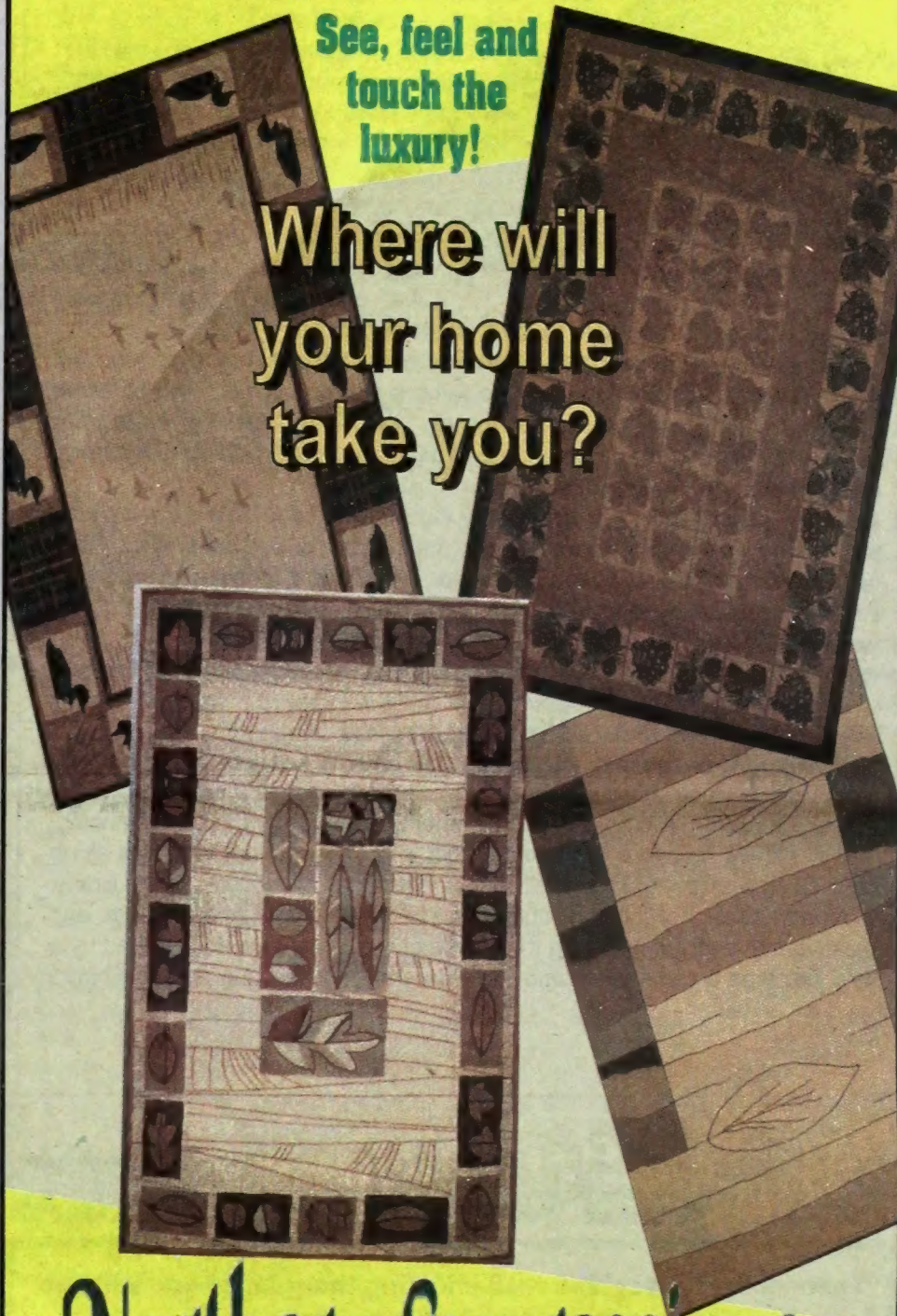
As warm and fuzzy as the competition seemed, it included some seriously skilled paddlers, many who consider the Minden Wild Water Preserve home, a place to have fun and hone their skills for future championships and challenges. ■

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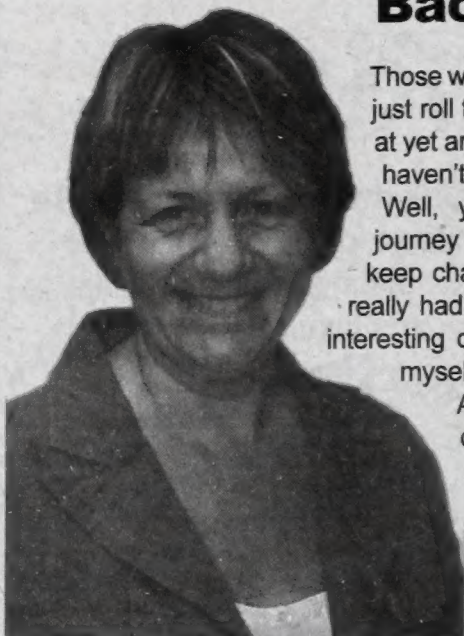
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Editorial VIEWPOINT

By Laura Redman

Back in the news



Those who know my history in the industry now just roll their eyes when I tell them I've landed at yet another newspaper – why, because you haven't worked in that town yet?

Well, yeah, to all of those stuck-on-the-journey types, it's been fun and challenging to keep changing it up, and hey, it's not like I've really had a choice. If someone offered me an interesting opportunity, I could never quite make myself say the 'N-O' word.

Actually, that's not quite true – I did turn down one opportunity. The Christian radio station in Belleville asked me, as the local weekly managing editor, to do a daily news update every morning at 7 a.m. from home. I met with the station producer and the morning show hosts a couple of times, and I was seriously considering what I

saw as a fun way to get more involved in the community.

That was before I found out that my newsroom staff had immediately started a poll to see just how long I could go without saying a swear word or taking someone's name in vain – live, on the air. I quickly realized that a Christian radio career was probably not in the cards for someone with my infamously coloured use of the English language.

At the very least, I can now positively say, that there isn't one job in the newsroom that I haven't done – including cleaning staff – but that's another story. From news editor to automotive editor, city editor, sports writer, staff photographer, to columnist, I've been absolutely privileged to meet amazing people and share wonderful stories. Probably the most memorable assignment was a phone call from the Toronto Star photo desk saying they needed a portrait of mystery writer John Brady asap. The assignment came with a cryptic warning – Brady writes in an unusual way – sitting on country roads, in his car.

Driving up to our meeting place, I passed an auto wreckers and inspired, I quickly did a u-turn. When I told the wreckers what I was looking for, they said, "Sure, just take it." Arriving at the assignment, I told Brady what I was planning, and thankfully, he had a sense of humour, since the reporter who was along couldn't stop laughing. The resulting image remains a favourite – John Brady, looking pensive, holding a notebook and pen, sitting on just a car seat, and wearing the seatbelt, placed in the middle of a country lane, surrounded by a field, coloured autumn green and gold. Thanks Stephen, it's great to be back. ■

Letter of the Week

"There is no perfect church, a cheering thought, as you will not ever be a perfect member."

Dear Editor:

I am tired of the excessive sentimentality expressed when churches are closed. The church is people, not wood, stone or bricks. If no one goes to worship God, there is no church, just an empty shell. This is not to make light of the handful of faithful members who have, through dedication and faithful work, kept their church open for a long time. Circumstances do change.

Population shifts as when many of our small churches were built in the late 1880s. That is when many families moved from here to western Canada. This happened again in the last century when many people moved to cities.

The churches of horse and buggy days are too close together. The horses knew the place their people went on Sundays. Cars do not know anymore where their drivers plan to go on Sundays, or if they will just sleep in before heading to the hockey rink or for a long drive to visit someone.

Not all children who faithfully are taught the Bible stories of Jesus attain an adult understanding of the faith.

If you are seriously interested in exploring the Christian faith, there are still many faithful gatherings of Christians in this county. Any of them are glad to see newcomers. As country folk, we are not effusive. Also, there is no perfect church, a cheering thought, as you will not ever be a perfect member. Do not stop at visiting one church or even one denomination. It may require several visits until you find the one in which you fit.

When you find the group that seems to you to take most helpfully the work of 'learning to follow Jesus', become an active member. If even half of the people who mourn the closing of local churches learned how to love and serve God and how to love and serve their neighbours, no more churches would be closing.

Anna Marion Sedgwick
Minden □

Dear Editor:

"My hearty congratulations to our new Reeve, Carol Moffatt."

Dear Editor:

On the last full day before the currently sitting councils become "lame ducks", unable to take important spending initiatives, Algonquin Highlands council was in last-minute session doing exactly that. The September 9th special council meeting at Algonquin Highlands was a sad swan song for the outgoing reeve and some of the council, who will not be running for re-election this October. It also marked the official beginning of the clean-up that will need to be done by the next council.

By the end of the meeting, which was originally called to discuss and decide the question of the rehabilitation of the existing paved surfaces at the Haliburton Stanhope Airport, council had re-opened the 2010 budget books to properly account for and clarify borrowing and repayment details for a couple of big-ticket items that somehow slipped by the prolonged budget review. These are the first major debts ever contracted by the township.

A review of parts of the budget, conducted by CAO Dempster-Evans and county Treasurer Laura Janke following the departure of the townships' treasurer in July, showed that repayment schedules for money borrowed to cover the cost of new fire trucks and expenditures made towards the airport project (essentially the Middleton land settlement) had not been dealt with. Ms. Janke also noted that the manner in which the airport expenditures had been noted was far from being "transparent".

These issues are, to some extent, "mere technicalities"; there is very little change to the actual numbers in the budget as passed, though a few unexpected dollars will need to be made up by the next council and there is a nasty risk that a couple of hundred thousand may be added to that if a couple of township properties fail to sell by the time the next budget rolls around.

One thing that was made clear during the meeting is that, officially, the airport will be costing the taxpayers an additional \$60,000 per year over the next 15 years. The decision to rehabilitate the existing runway, taxi-ways and aprons for an estimated \$145,000 (the townships' 1/3 share of the cost) means that the total expenditures for the airport project in 2010 alone will be \$902,000, without a bit of new runway in sight.

The most troubling aspect in all of this comes in some of the details that were not discussed.

While it is obvious that fire trucks need to be replaced in order to maintain and improve this vital service to the community – and nobody would begrudge the borrowing of money to do this – it appears that every single cent of the \$550,000 needed to be borrowed. There were no reserves available and it was apparently not considered worthwhile to sell off valuable township property to cover costs.

The airport project, on the other hand, has already been funded to a large extent by property sales (with more to come) and, somehow, there was over \$200,000 in the airport reserve to help cover the costs incurred this year! Where, one has to wonder, did that kind of money come from?

The airports' annual operating deficit, covered by ratepayers, runs to around \$100,000 and when equipment purchases "need" to be made (as happened at least once in 2010) there was never a problem getting pre-budget approval.

There is a lot more than just the review and justification of any possible further expansion of the airport that must be looked into by the new council. It is far past time that we should know how much this facility has actually been costing us all, and where the money has been coming from. This should have been the first step before launching expansion plans.

My hearty congratulations to our new Reeve, Her Worship Carol Moffatt, it is a relief to have someone in that chair who has shown a commitment to informing herself and others. We can only hope that you and your new colleagues will deal with this business expediently, and allow the township to get back to what should be the first priorities.

There are only a couple of seats in the upcoming election which are being contested at all, and only one by a sitting councillor – excepting our new Reeve, of course – and we must still be careful that those with connections to past practices show that they have learned something before we give them our vote.

Andy Muirhead
Stanhope □

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Dear Editor:

"I am compelled to speak out about an injustice being perpetrated."

Dear Editor:

I am writing with regard to an article by Liz Danielson "boathouse... ruckus". I was pleased that this has gotten attention from the press as the topic of development on the lakes in our municipality needs to be explored. I believe this is long overdue.

There have been a lot of examples on Gull Lake and virtually every lake in the county of blatant disregard of bylaws. One common ground we share as readers is to gain an understanding of our governance, and in this case how it has gone awry.

I am compelled to speak out about an injustice being perpetrated. I brought this to Council alone with support from my family, and my issue is with the Township of Minden Hills. Who they granted a permit to, has no effect. I have no issue with Mr Litwin. I have never spoken to him and do not intend speak to him as there is nothing he can say or do that changes the fact that the permit was issued in contravention of the by-laws at the time.

I would challenge you to find anyone who has seen the facts who could support his proposed building in any form.

I can trace this permit from the genesis to its present virtual reality. I can tell you it is not legal except that the Chief Building Officer says it is. It was issued after the bylaw banning boathouses came into effect. He is building an accessory structure before a primary dwelling is built on the parcel. There is nothing in the ground no footing pins no materials. Everyone who had a similar permit (which should not have been granted) received letters from the planning office, and if Mr Litwin did not-why not?

The CBO told me there was no letter sent out to the outstanding permit holders after the Reeve, my councillor, and one of the permit holders said there was.

I have the permit, the building code, where the structure is clearly in violation, the portion of the code which illustrates how a CBO can legally revoke a permit, I have notes, contacts, photographs etc.

It is an eye opener and with the money that can be made by bending the rules and the history of no repercussions to violators, it is the perfect breeding ground and something the community needs to be aware of. This is the kind of old boy's shenanigans Minden Hills needs to get away from to enter the 21st century.

*Patty Aziz
Minden Hills*

School rental charges

Dear Editor:

At a time when the health experts are preaching exercise and fitness for our general well being the Trillium Lakelands District School Board has decided to again charge an hourly fee for adult recreational use of the school gyms. These activities, such as volleyball, badminton, highland dance, square dancing etc. are volunteer run, non profit events.

We, the taxpayers, helped build these facilities and pay yearly through our school taxes to maintain them. Now we must be charged to use them! To some and hourly rate may not seem exorbitant but factor in two hours a night, once a week for nine or ten months and the rate rises to nearly \$2000.00. When club memberships are small, and couples and families are involved, the amount becomes quite costly.

I fail to see the cost that these events are incurring when the gyms are there, the caretakers are working their regular shifts, and heat, hydro, plumbing are already operating. We have no other facility in Haliburton County for such activities. It is my hope that the School Board will rethink this charge for adult recreational activities!

*Lois Rigney
Canning Lake
Former Convener Minden Badminton Club*

An alternative route around Haliburton Village? Is it time?

Dear Editor:

Now is the time! Now is the time for the Haliburton BIA to seriously consider encouraging an alternative route around the village core. Now is the time for councillors to decide what is best and move forward.

Now is the time for both to step up and actively pursue this alternative by pass, call it what you want. It will be a pressure relief to a congested village core.

Why now? Because it's needed. The new streetscape is "pretty" on paper and is designed for pedestrian traffic.

If you don't use "pretty" and "practical" in the same sentence, you end up with something pretty impractical. Ten years ago good money was spent to improve turning ratios on to York St. from both ends. The new pretty design has narrowed the entrance onto York from Maple so terribly it will force large trucks up Highland St. clogging the main street once again.

If the different levels of government can find millions for airports, sidewalks and walkways surely money could be found to extend Industrial Park Road to make the town vehicle friendly.

The village won't be a destination if you can't travel around it.

Concerned about the future,

*Larry Hewitt
Hawk River Construction Ltd.
Haliburton*

"It's time for us – the people – to lobby for protection on lands WE OWN!"

Dear Editor:

I received an e-mail from one Robin Simpson which reads as follows:

"I found it highly illuminating that you use your "Position" of being against open pit uranium mining without having a clue about it. You followed your position of being against it by saying you didn't care if they explored or drilled on Crown land. Where exactly do you think an open pit mine would go??? It would go on crown land. Now that we know that your "position" is just political posturing to get votes we will notify FUME members many of whom live in ward 3 of your real position on open pit uranium mining." Robin Simpson, Founder FUME

At the all candidates meeting in the Gooderham Community Centre I made remarks pertaining to Uranium Mining. More specifically on lands owned by each and every one of us. Lands we bought, built cottages and/or homes on spent a great deal of time, effort and money to do so. We pay taxes on said lands and take pride on what we feel is ours. To know mining companies can drill test holes on these precious lands is in my opinion an invasion of ones' privacy. As land owners we have the right to protect what is duly ours and the hierarchy should be made abreast of this issue by the people-the masses. By mentioning such mining activities are carried out on Crown lands and within Provincial jurisdiction and lands owned by mining companies having the full authority to carry out mining activities was an attempt to state private land owners have rights also. I in no way stated I was an expert on mining, however there needs some changes made to protect us - the landowners. My "position" Mr. Simpson mentioned against open pit uranium mining is my position on being just one person who takes pride in what I feel is rightfully ours - our home!!! There are many other issues that can be debated such as the environment however I was only allowed one minute to respond to the question so I was not at liberty to elaborate extensively. I answered said question based on my own personal feelings and I am sure the feeling of many other landowners. Mining companies lobbied the Government for more power and authority and perhaps it is time for us - the people to lobby for protection on lands WE OWN!!

*Beverly MacDuff
Gooderham*

"They are as dangerous as they can be beautiful."

Dear Editor:

Week after week, as I travel down the Soyer's Lake Road (after the first corner), I enjoy the way the trees overhang the road, creating a canopy.

After a heavy snowfall last winter that canopy was completely blanketed with snow – the most beautiful scene!

On the other hand, I often think that I should complain to Dysart et al and Minden Hills about that dreadful (and at times unsafe) road. But I can't imagine the cost involved to fix up that road surface. At this time though, my concern is those overhanging trees. They are as dangerous as they can be beautiful. Each of the past two weeks I have had a branch fall and hit my van. So far there has been no damage.

However, I can't help but think back to a few years ago, to the woman driving who a tree fall on her car and she was killed.

Whose responsibility is it to bring down dead trees along that stretch of road?

*Laurie Burk
Haliburton*

G20 – "Curled milk from the sacred cow."

Dear Editor:

Some people in this community have objected to my linking the G20 protest with a moth-eaten monarchist who promotes extremist views.

Let me confess right here and now that my paternal grandfather was comfortably situated within the Toronto WASP establishment. He was a staunch Christian, an enthusiastic militarist, a member of the British-Israelite Society, a Mason of high degree, and a life-long admirer of the southern slave-owning Confederacy. After many years of first-hand exposure to grandad and his cronies, I can truly claim some expertise on the subject of hide-bound conservatives.

But if grandad were alive today I don't think he and John, my monarchist friend, would get along very well. While they both may share the same antiquated ideology, unlike grandad John is a born rebel through and through. He may revere tradition (however oddly he conceives it), but his respect for authority verges on zero.

This makes John one of a rare breed. Much more common today are the sort of people who fear authority and therefore cozen up to it for self protection.

Such folk will promote war in foreign lands in order to eradicate customs (along with some collateral damage) which they find abhorrent. Yet the closer they get to home, the quieter they become about injustices which they actually have some power to rectify. Instead of cultivating an informed discourse about public affairs, they either absorb themselves in competitive sports, or else they fume about unionists, artists, immigrants, professors, protestors, the unemployed – virtually anyone who has run afoul of the authoritarian complex which they themselves embody.

Nice and normal on the surface, these authoritarian personalities are far from calm deep down inside. And how could it be otherwise? They have spent their time swilling curdled milk from the sacred cow.

So take care! Confront them on a subject they hold dear, and they may suddenly come lunging at you, stabbing their finger like an ice-pick, bellowing with purple face and bulging eyes. On this matter I speak from personal experience; but one can also look to history for some harrowing examples of authoritarian outbursts on a collective level.

Observing people of this ilk banding together voicing righteous indignation, I tremble for democracy in this country. And that is why I have tried to get a few things straight with Mr. — in these pages. But rather than just volley words back and forth, may I suggest that Mr. Stata and I both attend the next big protest in Toronto (if such be permitted), so that we can together gain firsthand knowledge about what is really taking place.

Perhaps the County Voice would even publish our joint reflections.

*Doug Smith
Haliburton*

Editors Note: This correspondence is now closed.

Dysart Council summary

Sewage report leaves Dysart feeling flush

Dysart's sewage systems are operating well under budget, with a 20 per cent drop in flow reported by the end of July.

David Kohli, operations services manager for ASI Group, credits a drier than normal spring in March, April and May for the good news story he presented to council on Monday.

AGI has the management, operation, administration and maintenance services contract for Haliburton's sewage collection and treatment systems. Kohli said a reduction in overtime was also a factor in being able to credit \$5,716.22 to the township's invoice in the spring, and as of July 31, the township still had a positive balance of \$577.82.

C.W. Kawagama Ltd. will appeal decision to OMB

The solicitors for C.W. Kawagama Ltd. sent a letter to council announcing their intent to appeal two council decisions and one council non-decision to the Ontario Municipal Board.

The issue at stake is a request to build a wet-slip boathouse on a 7.24 acre property on Kawagama Lake. The letter states

that council "did not approve the subject applications on the basis of extraneous matters... misinterpreted the policies of the Official Plan which permits boathouses on Kawagama Lake... forces client to erect dry-land boathouse or not have any boathouse... failed to consider the shoreline... and that not permitting a wet-slip boathouse is destructive and detrimental to the natural environment, as the construction of a dry-land boathouse requires the removal of vegetation and blasting of shoreline."

Township Planner Pat Martin reminded council that there was considerable input from the public at several public meetings regarding this application and said council could expect the OMB board hearing within four to six months.

Reeve Murray Fearrey said he was convinced they'd done the right thing by refusing the application. "If we've ever been right, I think we're right this time," Fearrey said.

Fire department issues seven year warning

Carbon monoxide detectors became the subject of conversation by Dysart et al Fire Department Chief Miles Maughan and Deputy Chief Don Stephenson as they gave their monthly report at council on Monday.

Both chiefs offered a warning to consumers that carbon monoxide detectors have a definite life of seven years and will either quit working or start to malfunction after that time. They said all smoke detectors – even the hard-wired ones – will also need replacing after 10 years.

The fire department responded to five fires during the month of August, one structure fire and the rest, out-of-control brush fires. Two burn permits were issued to contractors for clearing lots.

Council extends by-law relief to long established tent sites

Laila and Antero Hillo, owners of Sandy Acres Resort, were grandfathered the use of three longtime tent sites on their property on Monday. The Hillos have owned the resort since 1981, and in a letter to council, said they were "very surprised" that three of their tent sites contravened a bylaw created in 2005. ■

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New citizenship rule leaves some voters in the lurch

■ By: Laura Redman - Reporter

Many Ontario voters have been left off of the voters' list for the upcoming municipal election - all for the want of a check mark in a little box beside the words 'Canadian citizen'. It's always been the law in Ontario that voters are required to be Canadian citizens, but last spring, the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) announced that legislation now required confirmation of that Canadian citizenship in order to be put on the voters' list, and by early summer MPAC had sent out notices to municipalities and to people with unconfirmed citizenship. However, Dysart et al CAO and Clerk Tammy McKelvey said documents issued by

MPAC "are not always very user friendly."

For many years, MPAC has been sending out documents to Ontario homeowners and landlords, asking them to fill in a form that lists the occupants or tenants of their home. The information gathered on those forms has now formed the basis for the voters' list in Ontario, and residents who have either never bothered to fill out that form and check the box beside Canadian citizen, have now found themselves left off of the voters' list for the municipal election on Oct. 25.

"When paperwork arrives from MPAC, many people find it confusing," McKelvey said. While she said the municipality started advertising the new requirement early in the summer, many people are now still shocked and upset when they realize they're not on the voters' list.

"We're the messenger," McKelvey said. "The voters' list is what determines whether you get a ballot or not. I know there will be lots of people who have always voted and who will now be offended when they're told they're not on the list."

In Dysart, there were about 1,000 people who were not on the voters' list compiled by MPAC. All of the municipalities in Haliburton County are once again using the mail-in voting system, and McKelvey said there could easily be people who will be left wondering why they didn't get their voting kit this time.

In Minden Hills, Clerk Cheryl McCarroll, said that as of Sept. 14, they had 11,353 eligible voters on the list and now just around 100 people with unconfirmed Canadian citizenship. McCarroll said they've advertised, they've put notices on their website and even sent letters to those voters who were not on the list.

"I don't know if we've reached everyone, but we've really tried," said McCarroll. McCarroll credits DataFix, a database management software that Minden Hills has now been using for many years, in helping them to keep track of voters.

The voting kits will be mailed out on Sept. 27 in Dysart et al and on Sept. 28 in Minden Hills. In the meantime, McKelvey

is encouraging all residents to telephone their municipal office to find out if they are on their voters' list. If they're not, they can go to the municipal office and fill out a form to be put on the list. In Dysart, they can also download the form online and either mail it in or drop it off.

McKelvey's staff will also be at the all candidates meeting at Fleming College on Sat. Sept. 18 at 1 p.m. to talk to people about any concerns they may have about the election or the voters' list. On Saturday, Oct. 16, the Dysart municipal office will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to assist people with either voting or with their forms.

"I'll do whatever it takes to get people on the voters' list," McKelvey said. McCarroll said the Minden Hills municipal office will be open on Saturday, October 9 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for people to drop in to pick up a voters' kit, or to ask any questions, and she added that people can also just call the office if they want to know if they're on the list. Minden Hills also has a tutorial on their website which demonstrates how to fill in the form in the voting kit.

The other potential issue within this upcoming election McKelvey said is that there is an election for a school board trustee.

"We haven't had an election for a school board trustee here for a long time," McKelvey said. Where it gets tricky is that anyone who owns property in more than one municipality and within the same school board will receive separate voting kits for each set of municipal representatives, but the kit will also contain the same election choices for trustees.

"It's the obligation of the electorate to understand that they can only vote once for their trustee," McKelvey said. "And in all honesty, we have no way of policing it." McKelvey said, all she can do is remind people to watch for this issue.

"If you're seeing the same candidates name twice in two separate voting kits, please don't vote for them twice." However, McKelvey also clarified that seasonal residents or cottagers with residences in two separate school boards, can still vote for both sets of school trustees. ■

Police Reports



Driver Charged -- Impaired

(Haliburton, ON.) – Officers from the Haliburton Highlands Detachment have charged a Minden Hills man after investigating a driving complaint Saturday shortly before the noon hour.

An officer responding to the call stopped the vehicle, a Ford pickup truck on Twelve Mile Lake Road in the Township of Minden Hills. The officer had conversation with the driver who was subsequently arrested and taken to the Haliburton Highlands Detachment.

Terrance St. Peter 55 years of the Township of Minden Hills has been charged with Impaired Driving and Drive Over 80mgs. Mr. St. Peter will be appearing in Minden Court on November 3, 2010 in relation to the charges. ■

Human Remains Found near Fenelon Falls



Officers from the City of Kawartha Lakes OPP Detachment are investigating the discovery of human remains in Fenelon Township near Fenelon Falls Ontario. Members of the City of Kawartha Lakes/Haliburton County Crime Unit are assisting in the investigation.

The remains were discovered on Tuesday, September 14th; the investigation is continuing. □

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Dysart et al may soon restrict pedestrian use of York Street during construction

York Street pedestrians may be fenced off

Councillor Andrea Roberts asked Dysart et al Roads Superintendent Brian Nicholson about concerns over pedestrian safety during the current construction on York Street.

"People are crossing all over the place," Roberts said. Nicholson agreed and said the construction site may have to be sealed off if the random foot traffic continues.

"People will be upset that they have to walk a lot further, but it's for their own health and safety." ■

Museum emptied for renovations

The Haliburton Highlands Museum has been emptied in preparation for the installation of a new elevator. Councillor Derek Knowles said that when the museum reopens it will be a "vast improvement over what we had."

He added that there will be an official opening either late next spring or early summer, and that a new marketing plan is in the works to help create a new awareness of the museum within the cultural community. ■

Santa Claus is coming to town

November 26

Despite groans that it was too early to discuss Santa, council approved the written request from the Haliburton Village Business Improvement Area to hold the annual Santa Claus Parade on Friday, Nov. 26, starting at 6:30 p.m.

The parade will be organized by the Haliburton Lions Club under the guidance of the BIA, and will form at the intersection of Pine and George Streets, move south on Pine Street, turn west onto Highland Street and then north on York Street to disperse at the Rails End Gallery. Prior to the parade start, Pine and George Streets will be closed to through traffic to allow for formation of the parade. ■

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Leadership skills, building permits, ward systems and deputy reeves

Highlands East candidates forum a hit

■ By: Liz Daniels - Reporter

The All Candidates Forum held in Gooderham this weekend might have had a rocky start, but it was well attended and residents were very engaged, particularly when the sparks started to fly between the candidates for Reeve. Listening to 12 municipal and 2 school board candidates can take some time, but questions from the floor from as many as 80 people made the four hour marathon fly.

For the first time in a number of years the election will include a choice of candidates for the Trillium Lakelands District School Board. Incumbent Valerie Smith has stiff competition from long time teacher and Haliburton High principal Gary Brohman.

Brohman said, "The task of implementing policies and procedures is always a challenge, but they are established to make the best possible education for our kids. I am enthusiastic and passionate about education and will bring a strong voice to the table."

"My record proves that I am a problem solver and a straight shooter. I may not agree with everyone, but I will listen and take your concerns to the Board table."

Incumbent Valerie Smith, who has been a school board trustee for over 10 years (elected twice as Vice Chair and twice as the Chair) and worked for another school board for 28 years in various positions, said that her vast experience had left her with a great understanding of both education and family issues.

"I believe in public education and want to provide the best opportunities for students to reach their best potential to be prepared to meet the demands of multiple challenges. Being a trustee is about caring and supporting the whole child," she said.

In response to questions from the floor both candidates spoke about the benefits of the Pathways Program. When faced with

questions about full day kindergarten, both Brohman and Smith supported the initiative, with Smith adding that it provided an opportunity to identify if children had any learning difficulties and provide them additional support early in their education.

Throughout the forum Gay Bell, Chair of the County Swimming Pool Initiative questioned candidates about their support of a county wide pool. Brohman, while unsure of the answer, said that he was very supportive as an individual and that he had worked on the initiative himself in the past. Smith addressed the limitations of funding for school programs and while admitting there could be a tiny bit of wiggle room, she said, "We would not have funding to do that."

The issue of the pool came up with many of the candidates and while most were supportive of the initiative, a number of concerns were raised about the cost of maintaining the facility and the lack of a business plan.

The municipal candidates then followed with their introductions starting with Ward 1 and ending with the candidates for Reeve. (It should be noted that Deputy Reeve Jim Mackie has withdrawn his nomination for the position of Reeve and was not present at the forum.)

Ward 1 Candidate Barry Dickinson simply stated that he had the time, the commitment and the desire to work together with the rest of Council for all of the wards as a whole. Steve Kauffeldt spoke of his volunteer service to the community. Kauffeldt commented that he felt Cardiff had been forgotten on the outer rim of both the municipality and the County. He also suggested that the Council had acted blindly from time to time in the past.

Ward 2 candidates Basil Cox and incumbent Suzanne Partridge then squared off. Cox, a seasoned local politician, was adamant that the Fire Department be kept as it is and maintained. He also spoke of the need for a formal long term plan for road maintenance and upgrading.

Commenting that he felt it was wrong that Highlands East had been forced into amalgamation, Cox stressed the need for each



Incumbent Reeve Dave Burton

geographic community to work together rather than remaining divided. Cox voiced concern about the municipality's building department and the delays caused in issuing permits by the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority, pointing out that his opponent was the Chair of the conservation authority in question.

Partridge reviewed many of the Council's achievements over the past four years. She also acknowledged that there were problems with the municipality's building permit process.

In response to a question from the floor about the Crowe Valley Conservation Authority, Cox said that the authority had been put on notice by a neighbouring municipality that they were 'double dipping' when it came to fees and suggesting that it would no longer acknowledge their authority. Partridge responded that she asked for the matter to be placed on the Crowe Valley's next

agenda.

When it came to municipal building permits Partridge agreed that the process should be facilitated for property owners and contractors but insisted that improvements had been made, while Cox insisted that the process took far too long and offered suggestions for improvements.

Hilda Clarke then raised the question of the Ward system and the fact that the Deputy Reeve has historically been chosen from within the elected members of Council rather than being elected at large. Both candidates supported the idea of voting at large for the Deputy Reeve, but Cox felt that some form of ward system should remain to ensure equal representation throughout the municipality.

This was a question that was put to every candidate. They unanimously agreed that some changes to the Ward system would be beneficial and that the Deputy Reeve should be elected at large, although no one seemed quite sure of the process.

Beverly MacDuff and Gary Stoughton were the only candidates to address the problems of the recently released voters list that has dropped hundreds of names due to requirement for many to confirm their citizenship. Stoughton said, "It really irks me;

there are hundreds of names that are eligible and one of them that isn't on the list is Ted Deterling and he's 100 years old."

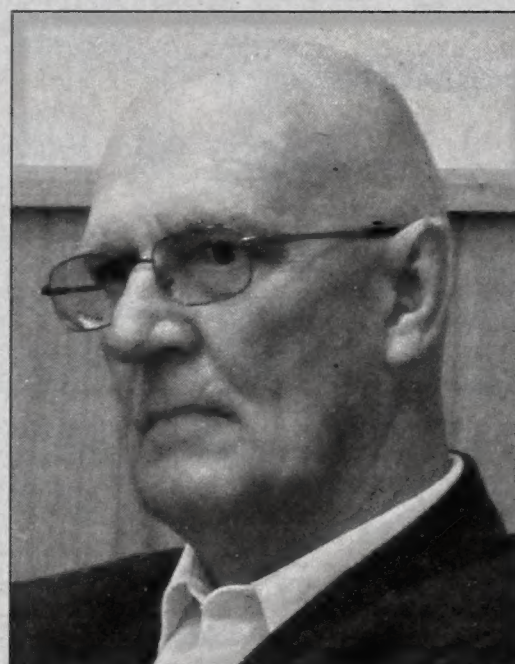
MacDuff simply urged people to check the voters list to ensure their name was there.

Incumbent Donna Graham, MacDuff, Cec Ryall and Chuck Viner, candidates for Ward 3, then gave their three minute introductions. Ryall is a new to municipal politics: both MacDuff and Viner offer considerable past council experience. The first question from the floor was directed to MacDuff questioning her statement that she was opposed to uranium mining. MacDuff spoke of people's dreams for their home or cottage and the shock of finding that a mining company could come in and drill on their property. "It's an invasion of their privacy and rights."

She said that the mining companies were unscrupulous and preyed on people. "They can drill on crown land or buy their own land," she said, but one member of the public grumbled that no one from the municipality had actually consulted the miners.

Graham and Ryall agreed with MacDuff, although Ryall commented that mining could bring employment. Viner said that uranium mining was an environmental disaster and voiced his appreciation to the members of FUME for their attempts to establish a moratorium on mining exploration. "We do not need uranium mining in Haliburton County."

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The Ward 3 candidates were also asked for their position on building a new combination municipal office/firehall in Wilberforce. There was unanimous agreement that while renovations or additions might be necessary or something to consider, a new municipal building was not required.

When asked for their position on the building department, Graham was unsure how the problems should be resolved, MacDuff said the Council should be more proactive, that the Building Official was too strict with the building code and did not consider the topography. "This hard line approach will not work if we want people to build and it has to stop."

Ryall said the problems were caused by personalities, poor communications and high expectations, but emphasized the short season and the need to facilitate the process through improved information on the municipal website and extended department hours during the building season.

Viner, who said he had investigated the problem with several builders, said, "Council must deal with this and deal with it quickly. It is costing us money and jobs and it has to stop now."

Political newcomer Joan Barton and incumbent Gary Stoughton were up next as candidates for Ward 4 Councillor.

Stoughton, who has been the Ward Councillor for the past 16 years, praised the fire fighters, the condition of the roads and the management of the landfills. He also clarified his position on mining in the area, something which he said he no longer supported.

Barton, a retired family law lawyer, stressed the need to look after the volunteer community as a huge asset, attract new business, to seek outside sources of funding, and pursue opportunities that arise.

In response to a question from the floor on how to attract and retain a younger population, Barton stressed the importance of enhanced high speed Internet services to improve business and employment opportunities. "People look for places to come and build and invest on the Internet. We must stay on top of the federal/provincial program that intends to extend high speed service to the population in eastern Ontario over the next two years."

Stoughton agreed that it would only be through the Internet that people would discover that Highlands East 'is not just a burp on the map but a very nice place to live and work.

At that point a question from the floor was raised about use of area trails. Barton described herself as a non-motorized person, but stressed the need to find a place for young families to enjoy their recreational vehicles. "I worry about integration of users and I'd like to see development of more trails in Highlands East. With all of the crown land around us, there's room for everyone."

Stoughton supported the use of four wheelers and snowmobiles on the trail, although he stressed the need for safety. When asked why the township allowed four wheelers on the roads given the hazards and dust, Stoughton simply said that without them many of the local businesses might as well shut down. To Stoughton, it was a matter of policing. He said, "Most of the users pay taxes like you and I and can use the roads; otherwise you'll have a huge fight on your hands."

Barton added that one of the problems was that some of the trails were not connected. She again stressed the need for the development of a better trail system.

Then the candidates for Reeve went head to head. Jack Bartholomew, another newcomer to politics stressed his leadership skills and said, "I believe that leadership is sorely needed."

Bartholomew spent quite a bit of his limited time discussing the problems associated with the building department and said there was very limited accountability on the part of Council. He said that he would identify the issues and personally visit home owners having problems with the building department officials, while improving the image and reputation of the community. He also talked about work he had done to investigate a pharmacy and doctor for the area.

Burton acknowledged that there was some unfinished business that he would like to bring to fruition. He talked about some of the Council's accomplishments during his tenure, stressed his own goal and the work he had done to bring a doctor into the municipality and his desire to maintain a strong team spirit and open door policy.

Responding to a written question about whether he should run for Council before running for Reeve, Bartholomew said, "I have no time for that," and talked about the leadership skills he offered and which, he believes, are badly needed. "Each member of Council is responsible for the people in their ward but there better be someone with leadership skills and the drive that is lacking."

Burton responded, "My credibility and leadership qualities have been under attack here. I simply lead in a different way. I lead by example, and this is a democracy, not a dictatorship."

A reference was made to Bartholomew's comment in the paper about the municipality's poor image and bad press and he was asked if he was referring to actions of Council or to poor reporting. Bartholomew said that the papers had simply brought the public the facts about bungling and irresponsibility causing hundreds of thousands of dollars in legal fees for the poor handling and release of an employee, outrageous costs to house feral cats and the (temporary) closure of the medical centre. "Soon there will be feral monkeys here," he said.

Burton calmly responded to these claims by saying the decision to dismiss the employee had been the right decision, and that the solution arrived at for feral cats had been a humane compromise to an ongoing problem.

Robin Simpson asked Bartholomew why, if Burton's leadership skills were so lacking, he had been chosen as the County Warden for two consecutive years, asked to Chair the Eastern Ontario Warden's Caucus and appointed to the chair of the Eastern Ontario Regional Broadband Network project which will bring almost one quarter of a billion dollars in funding. This brought resounding applause from the audience.

When it came to the question of a pool, Bartholomew voiced concern over the lack of feasibility studies. He said the project made sense if there was not a lot of cost to taxpayers, but also suggested it could be a red herring if the costs were not equal for each municipality.

Burton said he had no doubt that the funds could be found to build the facility, but voiced concern about the location and said the cost to maintain it could be a big burden. Burton said, "Housing and transit for seniors is important as well. It's a matter of priorities."

A number of other questions were raised and responded to and finally both Bartholomew and Burton summed up, both offering their services to make the municipality a better place to live as did all of the candidates.

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Grant provides high jump for J.D. Hodgson students

■ By: Mark Arike - Reporter

J.D.H. students have a reason to jump for joy.

This past Monday, the elementary school in Haliburton was presented a cheque for \$3,143 grant from the S'Cool Life Fund – a Canadian charitable organization – for the purchase of a crash and cover mat, and a cross bar needed for students to participate in the sport of high jump.

In attendance to make the presentation was Jim Robertson, Prizm chief operating officer; Stacy Rouble, Lindsay Taco Bell/KFC manager; and Deanna McEwan, Peterborough KFC manager.

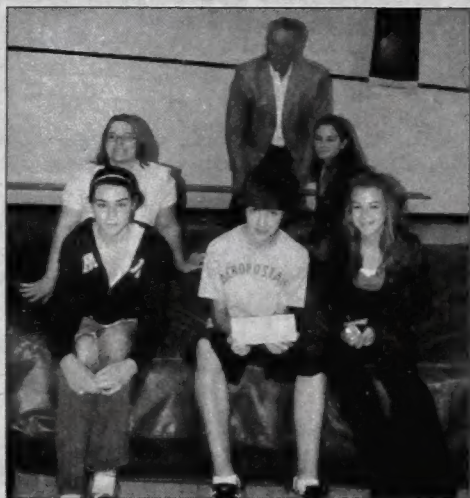
"This is pretty exciting," school principal Traci Hubbert told students in a special gym assembly.

After finding out about the grant opportunity last year, Hubbert and other staff discussed areas in which they could use the funds if successful in their application.

"One of the things that we ended up talking about was expanding our track and field program," Hubbert explained.

Since 2007, the school has been unable to offer high jump in the track and field program due to a change in rules and regulations.

"Ophea, which is the organization that determines all of the rules and regulations for what we can do in gym class and during



Grade 8 J.D. Hodgson track and field athletes, left to right: Cierra Hurley, Matt Hunter and Connor Marsden test the new crash mat with Stacy Rouble (back left), Lindsay Taco Bell KFC manager, Jim Robertson, Prizm chief operating officer (centre) and Deanna McEwan, Peterborough KFC manager.

extracurricular time, changed the rules for what kinds of things you had to have," Hubbert said.

As a result, the school needed two crash mats and top covers for both to continue the sport, but buying a new mat wasn't in the budget.

"We were not able to spend the money on just one piece of equipment when we also had to buy computers, textbooks and all those kinds of things," Hubbert said.

Last week, S'Cool Life Fund announced 231 grants totalling \$450,000 to Canadian public elementary schools (K to 8) to support students in various areas including drama, recreation, extracurricular, arts, music and sports.

Through various fundraising initiatives over the year, including the sale of \$1 paper airplanes, rulers, and stretchy gloves at Prizm Income Fund restaurants (KFC, Pizza Hut and Taco Bell), S'Cool Life Fund grants are made possibly through the generosity of the establishments' patrons.

According to a press release issued by the S'Cool Life Fund, grant applications poured in from across the country – from the

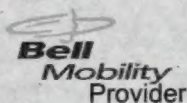
West Coast to the Maritimes.

"The diversity, vision and creativity of the grant applications we received this year was the best we've seen to date; we are thrilled to be donating almost \$450,000 to support these worthwhile initiatives," said S'Cool Life chairman John Bitove in the Sept. 9 release.

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Minden Hills Candidates Square Off

■ By: Liz Danielsen - Reporter

Over 200 people filled the community centre in Minden last Sunday to listen to 16 candidates vie for six council and two school board seats in the upcoming election. The energy was high, the audience ready to listen and the Voice's Jack Brezina poised to keep everyone in order and ensure they all had equal opportunity to speak.

It has been some time since incumbent Trillium Lakelands District School Board trustee and Chair Valerie Smith has had competition for her seat, but long time local teacher and Haliburton High Principal Gary Brohman promised to bring change in the form of a strong, passionate and experienced voice to the board table. Smith, with 10 years on the Board as both Vice Chair and Chair and 28 years working with the Board of Education in various positions spoke confidently, saying that being a trustee was about caring and supporting the whole child.

The municipal candidates then started their introductions in order of Wards with Murray King the first to speak. King, a long term resident who entered the race just before nominations closed, spoke of his local involvement and service to the community. A former firefighter, he stressed the need for better equipment for the department and location for the firehall. He talked about the importance of improving the landfills (calling them an awful eyesore) and the importance of both the environment and the cottage industry.

Ward 1 incumbent Lisa Schell, who is fighting for one of two seats in her ward, spoke of Council's achievements, the need for an economic development plan and offered warnings about candidates promising to accomplish things that had been tried unsuccessfully in the past.

Abbi Xerri outlined the three goals that formed his platform which included transparency and accountability for Council, economic development for the municipality and improved quality of life. Xerri spoke several times during the afternoon about his dream of establishing a centre of excellence in the community and pursuing green energy initiatives.

Brigitte Gall was spoke of building bridges for a community with a fractured sense of who they are. She said there needed to be less suspicion and more willingness to work together whether cottagers, long term residents or young families.

Bill Robinson, another candidate to file late in the game, offered his lifelong experience as a banker. He said that as a newcomer he could not point fingers or criticize until he had walked in a councillor's shoes. While he said that he was fully aware of current issues and had a number of concerns, he made no promises he couldn't keep.

Ken Redpath, the first of the Ward 2 candidates and a man with considerable financial background, spoke of the urgent need for improved financial management. He addressed public statements that he had been critical of the staff, which he said was not true. "They don't make the decisions," he said. Redpath referred to the Council being unaware of substantial deficits and renewing huge contracts without going to tender and said, "That's not good management."

Richard Bradley said 'follow me to Minden, you will be glad you did,' which was a positive and catchy introduction, but he then proceeded to castigate other candidates for 'reprehensible bullying behaviour' to the sound of resounding boos. Bradley continued to wade through the audience's displeasure by cautioning them about the Vision 2010 Team's promise to do more with less, saying that Council did not run the municipality, the staff did.

Craig Birchall, who cottaged in the area for many years before making it his permanent home, said that he had gained a broad perspective of the community. "I love this town, but things need to change. We need doctors, a walk in clinic, more business and year round job opportunities." Birchall joined Gall in her desire for a college or university and spoke of the desperate need for seniors housing. "We need to learn to use our greatest asset which is our tourism dollars and improve our image."

Ward 3 candidate Jean Neville talked about her history in Snowdon and her ability to balance a farm life with the challenges of a career. She stressed her organizational and problem solving skills and said that her top priorities were promoting tourism, completing Riverwalk and improving the municipality's rural parks and community centres. She also addressed the potential of the Rail Trail for hikers, bikers and naturalists.

Michelle Moore is another candidate new to the political scene. Moore's work experience has mostly been in account management, but she stressed her ability to balance a full time job with the challenge of being a full time mother. "I want to be the voice for struggling families," she said, stressing the need for playground equipment and picnic areas in Lochlin. Moore also said that the municipality needed to attract business and expand local trails.

Then the candidates for councillor at large squared off. Larry Clarke, part of the Vision Team was struggling with his voice but still managed to talk about his financial acumen in supporting businesses and municipalities. He spoke of his desire to develop and improve economic prosperity in the community and the need for an economic development committee that encompassed the municipality, the county and the Chamber of Commerce as well as representatives from tourism and industry. "We need to identify Minden as a gateway for the rest of the County."

Ed Litwin, taking hold of a golden opportunity, chuckled and referred to Clarke's broken voice and said, "We need a voice to be heard."



Councillor and challenger Barb Reid

Litwin, who has been both a long term cottager on Gull Lake, a local lake steward and a permanent resident, said that living among local merchants had given him a great opportunity to find out what everyone is concerned about. He talked about his desire to improve local infrastructure and create a unique style and character that would attract professionals to the area. Litwin spoke of his goal to further the spirit of the community and said, "I will work to make the community prosper."

Finally it was time for the candidates for Reeve to speak with Councillor Barb Reid going first.

Reid laughed and said, "If the most important thing is how long someone has lived in Minden Hills I would finish dead last."

She talked about Minden Hills being on the verge of exciting growth and development. "There are new locals coming here; people in mid career and retirees. There is infrastructure needed and the community will need someone with the management skills to handle the growth. When it comes to economic development you can't sit and wait for it to fall in your lap and organizational skills are required to draw business in."

Reid talked about the need for financial stewardship and community engagement. She named the members of the Vision Team and asked for the community's support.

Last, but not least to speak was incumbent Reeve Jim McMahon. He reviewed his previous council experience and some of the Council's successes which included a visioning session in 2006. "So Vision 2010 is nothing new. We have prioritized (and completed) many projects under my leadership."



Incumbent Reeve Jim McMahon

"This community has been a priority for me, sometimes to the detriment of my family. I have served for many years in business and politics and have the ability to listen. I seek re-election and your support to serve your needs to the best of my ability."

Then came questions from the floor. The first question was actually in the form of a statement to Gall suggesting that the Vision Team had all the appearance of a political party. She was asked if elected if she would act as such, holding caucus meetings, making compromises and putting forth a position that represented all four of the team's members.

Gall spoke passionately, saying the team had no intention of banding together to run rough shod over Council. "We came together to address some common issues and to serve the community. We are four people who are equally passionate. We're looking to

answer questions and be your voice."

Fay Martin asked about the need for social housing in the area. McMahon, while cognizant of the need said it wasn't the mandate of the municipality. Reid however commented that the municipality could drive the discussion with the province.

A question was asked about reducing greenhouse gas emissions in the municipality. Reid admitted that she didn't know the solution, but she was willing to start the discussion. McMahon agreed and suggested that those concerned lobby County Council. Xerri avidly spoke of federal and provincial government plans to fund clean energy initiatives and suggested that the municipality could investigate projects that could have a significant return on their investment. Bradley suggested looking into making all municipal buildings more energy efficient.

Sharon Luke inquired about the future of Pritchard House. McMahon spoke of the exorbitant cost to make the building safe and accessible and Reid agreed it was not a priority, saying improvements to the building would not be a good spend. She did, however, suggest utilizing materials from the building for a new purpose in the same location.

Birshall said it was one of his dreams to retrofit the building and turn it into a doctor's clinic.

As the Chair of the County Swimming Pool Initiative, Gay Bell asked for support of an indoor pool in the County, to the chorus of considerable applause. Brohman said he would work with anyone to further the project. Smith, while supportive said that the TLDSC had no funds for the facility. Clarke said that creative funding would be required along with partnerships and Litwin agreed. Redpath was the first candidate to say it should be situated in Minden Hills given the water system and Bradley said it should be part of the existing recreation complex.

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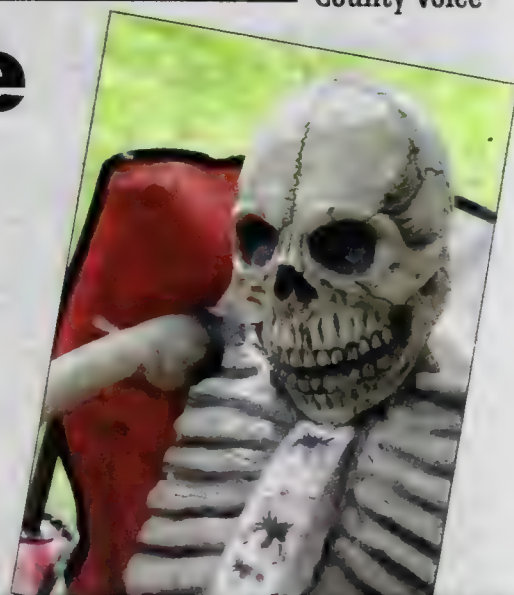
The Great Green Garage Sale was held on Saturday the 11th under sunny skies at the RD Lawrence Place and the Cultural Center in Minden. As well as an enormous assortment of everyday items for great prices, along with some rather curious offerings, there were numerous vendors and a silent auction with everything from an I-pod to a Robert Bateman print up for bids.

A "buy now" option enabled bidders to become instant purchasers if they so wished. Volunteers organized by Irene Fisher put in hundreds of hours sorting and pricing the garage sale items donated by community members, while Tammy Rea

organized the items and the tents which municipality workers had installed for the event. Sharon Lawrence was hoping to have her late husband (R.D. Lawrence) latest edition of his famous book, Secret of the Wolves, available at the Great Green Garage Sale, but due to a glitch, the story of two rescued wolf pups and their ensuing adventures wasn't available as she'd hoped.

The proceeds from the day's efforts will be used to build and develop the archive room at R.D. Lawrence Place. Storage units for this climate-controlled area will be enhanced with a computer and appropriate software to catalogue items donated by Sharon Lawrence. ■

■ By: Lyn Winans - Photojournalist



The Great Green Garbage Sale offered hundreds of items from iPods to Bateman prints

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Xerri said that the maintenance costs could be offset by green energy initiatives and Gall imagined other facilities tied to the pool to help pay for the facility's upkeep. Schell was the only splash of cold water on the group's enthusiasm by saying it had to be a county initiative and that a careful examination of the costs was needed before taking the idea further. Admitting that Minden would be a terrific place for a pool, McMahon said that the pool was not a new idea and that there was a procedure to follow. Reid promised that if elected it would not just be an election promise but something she would make happen.

The subject of evening and town hall meetings came up, as is the case with many municipal elections. Both Schell and McMahon said that previous attempts had been unsuccessful and that daytime meetings were well attended by a 'decent audience.' Birchall said it was something he would request and Gall said it was something the Vision team promoted. Bradley said that staff would be required at evening meetings and that cost had to be considered. Reid stressed the need for Town Hall meetings to encourage dialogue between the public and members of Council and staff.

Finally, the subject of the Rail Trail was raised and whether use should be motorized or not. Both Reid and McMahon stood with what appears to be a growing majority of ratepayers who do not want to see mixed use (excepting snowmobiles). McMahon, who believes that motorized use is good for the local economy said he had reversed his position because of his ratepayers and Reid suggested that further work should be done to create a venue for motorized vehicles as a potential source of tourism.

Candidates then summed their positions up in two minute final statements.

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Algonquin Highlands Council summary

■ By: Jerry Grozelle - Reporter

Budgetary issues front and centre

Algonquin Highlands council held a special Meeting on September 9 to authorize township officials to sign the papers to get started on the rehabilitation of the current runway at the Stanhope Airport and to clarify budget a couple of budget items regarding the purchase of two fire trucks and the airport rehabilitation project.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison started the meeting by explaining that the township had lost its treasurer quite suddenly in July and has been without a treasurer since then. "The treasurer is a key person in any municipal organization," Harrison said. "Laura Janke is the County Treasurer and she's been most helpful to both council and staff since July and is the co-author of the two reports that are being discussed this morning. Laura has also helped the municipality to acquire the services of a retired treasurer who is going to be working with our treasury staff until such time as we hire someone.

"At this time I would also like to commend and extend a heart felt thanks to all the staff and to Laura in particular who have stepped up to the plate since our treasurer left. Without such good staff I think we'd be in worse shape than we are.

"Next, I would like to make it very clear that the recommendations being brought forward in today's reports are quite simply carrying through with the recommendations and direction that council decided on during the budget deliberations. Council was fully aware that borrowing would be necessary to carry out these projects and I also want to make it clear that there is no levy increase in this year's taxes as a result of today's reports. So, whatever decisions are made today will not increase the 2010 levy.

"I was asked to look into both of these issues, the fire truck and the airport as to how the 2010 budget reflected what was happening," said Laura Janke, the treasurer of Haliburton County.

Janke said council needs to make the decision regarding how to borrow the money for the fire trucks, whether it is through a line of credit, some other form of loan, or by debenture. Township CAO, Juanita Dempster will get information regarding the options and report back to council.

Janke told council that to make everything clear, the budget would have to be revised to show the cost of the purchases and how the funding will be arranged.

"As you can see by the by-law you passed on the same day you passed the budget, you had intended to buy these two fire trucks," Janke explained. "In 2009 a deposit was made, but the intent of council was not carried out in the budget document, although it does have some repayments in the rental section of the fire budget for these two trucks, the actual capital cost of the purchases was not recorded and that is necessary to record those in the budget as well as to show how the funding will happen."

Janke said it looked to her as though council had intended to fund the fire truck purchases through long term borrowing. She said the question that needs to be answered is how long the term of the loan and what type of loan would council. She presented a scenario to give council an idea of the cost over terms ranging over 10, 12 and 15 years using an interest rate that the municipality should be able to obtain in today's market. She pointed out that the interest rates would not remain constant over the long term but she prepared the costing to give council some basic information on which to base its decision. "It's just for demonstration purposes I've shown you what would happen to the levy. That principle and interest, that blended payment, will have to be incorporated into each future year's budget." Janke noted that going into 2010 the municipality had no long term debt.

Deputy Reeve Tom Gardner pointed out that when council was discussing the purchase of the fire trucks the option of leasing them was brought forward. "We decided not to pay a leasing company to borrow money for us when we could do it ourselves just as cheaply as they could," Gardner said.

Councillor Don Shortreed pointed out that the interest rates rose by a point just the day before so the numbers would change according to fluctuating rates over the years.

Councillor Carol Moffatt posed the question to Fire Chief John Hogg: "What is the useful life of a fire truck?" Hogg responded that the industry standard is 15 years. "I believe that's the number the county is using in the revised accounting for depreciation," Hogg said. "We find that we get 20 years or more, but after 20 it starts to become an insurance liability issue if you don't replace them."

"In order to be open and transparent we need to specify what exactly is happening here what is being eligible for funding, what isn't, what the council is committing to because this council has already made decisions that have committed future councils to

either long term debt. Somehow they have to pay for these things they've committed to," Janke said. She said the budget shows short term borrowing but the intent of council was to finance through long term borrowing. To reflect that intent, she said some clarification is necessary.

Janke said the budget shows a line in the expenditure column, under transportation, which says long term loan repayment of \$195,000. She said the intent of that \$195,000 was to repay expenditures toward the airport project. The municipality has listed two properties it owns on Sherborne Lake for sale for \$200,000, which was to be applied to the cost of the airport project. She also noted that the airport reserve, at the end of 2009 was \$206,000 and that the 2010 budget specified that \$240,000 was to be taken from the airport reserve this year. The amount in the 2010 budget that Janke identified as earmarked for the airport project is \$457,000. "That leaves \$259,000 unfinanced in the 2010 budget," Janke said. She added that another line in the budget denoting a figure of \$700,000-plus was labeled other fees. "From what I gathered, that other fee line should have been labeled long term debt," Janke said. "You fully intended when you were going to go ahead with the project that you would incur debt and it would be over a period of X number of years that you would pay that off. A few things came up along the way, obviously the Middleton settlement was more than council expected and you still haven't proceeded with the majority of the work. That puts the township in a position today, if those two Sherborne lots don't sell, with a deficit of \$559,000, and I know council's intent was not to leave a deficit at the end of the year. You intended to finance that and it was obvious enough to me going through the information, but it was not obvious enough for the taxpayer."

Janke said the \$559,000 was the worst case scenario the township would have to deal with (if the Sherborne property remains unsold). The township would still have to come up with \$359,000 to pay for what has already been done. She told council it would have to decide how the debt would be financed and over how long a period to spread the repayment schedule. It was noted that the expenses to be financed only include what has already been committed to date.

To give council a reference, Janke prepared two scenarios outlining what the financing cost would be over 15 and 20 years.

Harrison noted that the treasurer had arranged a line of credit before she left so the township could pay bills as they came in. She also pointed out that invoices often have to be paid before the township can get the funding from the federal and

provincial governments, hence the need for the line of credit. "That's what she [the former treasurer] was directed to do so that bills could be paid as they came in," Harrison explained. "Council's direction was followed but the treasurer didn't come back and say once that line of credit is set up, you need to have a repayment schedule."

"For openness, I think the public needs to know how much this council has committed at this point right now," Janke said.

Deputy Reeve Tom Gardner said \$50,000 was included in the budget for loan repayment and if the same amount is included in next year's budget by the next council, there would be no increase over the 2010 for 2011 to cover those payments.

The airport expansion project is on hold, pending receipt of the environmental assessment update and will be delayed at least until 2011.

The municipality's share of the rehabilitation project for the existing runway is \$145,000. Council agreed that it was important to go ahead with the rehabilitation of the current runway.

"It's important to get this under way and get it completed because of the deterioration and while the funding is still available," Gardner said.

"I don't think we should gamble on that, I think we should go ahead with it," Councillor Don Shortreed added. "We know it has to be done or there's a risk of being closed."

"The rehab absolutely has to be done in my opinion," said Councillor Carol Moffatt. "The township is in the position to carry debt. It's too valuable an asset as an existing airport to let that go."

Shortreed said it is the first time he can remember the township having to borrow money. Harrison said it is a way of doing business to improve the township's infrastructure in order to take advantage of the one-third funding. "We're certainly not alone," Harrison said. "And we will probably be one of the municipalities with the least debt even when this comes to fruition."

Council passed the appropriate by-laws authorizing CAO Dempster-Evans to shop the market to determine the township's options regarding the type of loans and the rate of interest to fund the fire truck purchases and the airport project costs to date, including the rehabilitation of the current runway. The fire trucks will be financed over a 10-year period and the airport project will be financed over 15 years.

By-laws were also passed to clarify those areas of concern regarding funding that Janke and Dempster-Evans identified in their report. □

Food for Kids gets \$3,000 from Rotary Club of Haliburton

■ By: Mark Arike - Reporter

A generous donation from the Rotary Club of Haliburton has delivered much needed funds to Food for Kids, Haliburton County's Student Nutrition Program.

During one of their weekly meetings at the Pinestone Resort & Conference Centre last Thursday the group presented a \$3,000 cheque to Karen Phipps, Food for Kids county coordinator.

"If we didn't have community donations we wouldn't be around," said Phipps, explaining that it costs about \$40,000 a year to run the program.

Around \$13,000 to \$14,000 of those expenses are subsidized by the Ontario Ministry of Children and Youth Services annually, she said, while the rest comes directly from the community.

Established in 1999, The Food for Kids program delivers over 4,000 breakfasts and snacks to students in Haliburton County each week. The program receives the support of over 50 volunteers who help to raise funds, prepare and serve the food.

Phipps pointed out that funds are needed more now than ever due to the recent expansion of the breakfast program and the subsidized milk program.

"I hope that this will be one of those programs that we [Rotary] stay behind," said Rotary Club of Haliburton president Richard van Nood.

The Food for Kids program is always looking for volunteers. If you're interested in helping out anywhere from one to three hours per week contact Karen Phipps at 705-457-1311. □



Richard Van Nood, president of the Rotary Club of Haliburton, and other Rotary members present Food for Kids coordinator Karen Phipps with a \$3,000 cheque for the student nutrition program.

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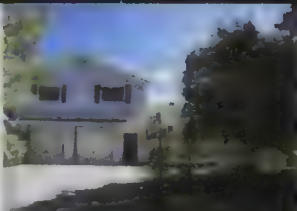
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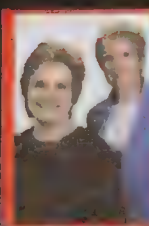
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Located on a quiet street close to school, hospital, shopping and library. Level and beautifully treed and landscaped lot. This spacious home features: four bedrooms, eat-in kitchen done in pine, separate dining room, full basement, main floor laundry room, den/office, two car attached garage, large decks, paved drive, municipal water and sewers. A must see! View this outstanding home at: www.BillKulas.com or in person by calling me today at 286-2911 ext.44.



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Kennisis Lake - \$399,700
Rustic 3 season cottage on Little Kennisis Lake. A delightful view facing south from this lot with 115 feet of rock and sand frontage. Well treed for good privacy. The 1150 sq. ft. cottage has a heated line, newer wood stove and plank floors. There is a cute bunkie and storage under the cottage where there is an insulated winter room for plumbing. The driveway is shared and sloped, then there is a nice level area where the cottage sits near the waterfront. Shoreline is owned. Listed For sale at \$399,700



Million Dollar View - \$599,000
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Debra Lambe
Haliburton Office
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Town of Haliburton - \$134,900
Clean and neat 3 bdrm home in well established neighbourhood, within comfortable walking distance to main street Haliburton. Oil furnace replaced approximately 3 yrs ago and water heater and pump replaced last year. Drilled well and town sewers. Nice starter or retirement home. With 5% down, this home will carry the principle and interest for approx. \$611 per month.



Home Minutes from Haliburton - \$154,900
Nestled among the pines is this 3 bedroom bright and cozy bungalow less than 10 minutes from Haliburton. Its finished basement includes a recreation area and 4th bedroom. Privacy plus with sunporch and circular driveway winding through the pines. Enjoy the birds and wildlife from the south facing deck overlooking a lovely, large backyard. Only minutes away from boat launch on Drag Lake. Great starter or retirement home.



Denise LeBlanc
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Country Setting - \$212,900
Well built contractors home in a quiet country setting yet very close to town. The Drag river can be accessed a short walk thru the road allowance for swimming and canoeing. This solidly built house features country kitchen & separate dining rm with a walkout to the spacious deck for evening BBQs. 3 bdrms, 1 1/2 baths along with a full basement and ground level walkout to the front yard provides a nice easy entry. Add to all of this a stone fireplace, oil furnace, drilled well, full septic and central vac and you've got a nice package. CALL Denise



Private Setting in Minden - \$184,900
Great starter or retirement home located on a very quiet street in Minden with a beautiful private yard. Well kept & nicely decorated includes 2 bdrms up and one down, a side entry porch, eat-in kitchen, mn flr laundry, recently renovated 4 pc bath and a gorgeous walk out basement which is high/dry & very bright. Some great features are shingles and side deck 2008 & new bdrm carpet all within walking distance of down town and school. Call Denise



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Lt. Boshkung Lake - \$599,000
Enjoy this Custom Built Viceroy Style Cottage/Home. Open concept main rooms allow for great entertaining. 3 bedrooms, plus a finished family room on the lower level with wet bar. A large gazebo overlooks the lake. A one slip covered boathouse /bunkie(kitchen & living room, bedroom /bath) all beside a fabulous protected beach area. This property has that Algonquin look with rock and pine trees. Oh!!! Did I mention all on 3 lake chain and glorious sunsets.



1464 Bucksides Rd. - \$102,900
Great Retirement or Starter Home: Here is your chance to own a 2 bedroom home on a level well treed lot with good privacy. Located close to Carnarvon and shopping conveniences. Clean and Tidy and ready for immediate occupancy. Direct access off a municipal road and close to snowmobile trails. IT'S WORTH A LOOK!!!



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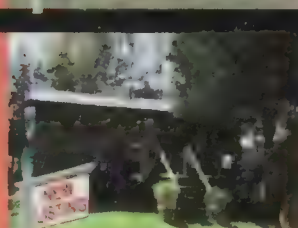
Gull River - \$274,900
Beautiful Gull River home/cottage on a level lot a short distance from the Town of Minden or a boat ride to Gull Lake. The cottage/home has been totally redone with new flooring/kitchen/bathrooms, and a large deck off the front of the cottage. The building features 3+1 bedrooms, den or an office, 2 bathrooms, large living room & rec room. The majority of the rooms have a great view of river. A perfect spot for your weekend cottage or retirement home



Paradise Lake - \$129,000
Located just east of Haliburton, this 3 bedroom home is on a level lot right across the road from Paradise Lake and access to the lake on a 66 ft road allowance. The 1.5 car garage is an excellent work shop with storage loft above. There have been many upgrades to the house in the last couple of years including furnace and hot water tank



Jessica Wilson
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Kennaway Lake - \$329,000
Just bring your toothbrush! This 4 season cottage on tranquil Kennaway Lake is a polished gem updated with an appreciation for the details. Includes most furniture, cushions, dishes, new towels and bed linens, small and large stainless steel appliances and is fully equipped for all 4 seasons with a snowmobile, boat, bikes and canoe. 1008sqft main cottage plus a bunkie with 2 double beds means you can comfortably sleep 8+. Own your own magazine cottage with west exposure for sun well into the evenings!



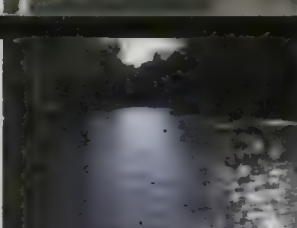
Sold! - \$200,000
Be on the water for less than \$200 Thousand. Enjoy this beautiful level lot, 3 bedroom home or cottage with access to Maple, Grass and Pine Lakes. A perfect first cottage. Also old original cottage exists on property.



Karen Wood
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Irondale - \$129,000
Very private lot fronting on Irondale River. 2 Bedroom cottage, open concept - finish it your way! Perfect for the handyman! Very level lot, easy access on Hwy 503 between Irondale and Gooderham. 164 ft of water frontage - put your canoe in and enjoy the ride.



Beech River Lot - \$119,900
Located on quiet Beech River, at the widest point, with easy boating access to Big/Little Boshkung and Twelve Mile Lakes. Enjoy beautiful sunsets and great fishing. Located on a dead end road that leads to Beech River walking trail. Close to snowmobile trails, 15 minutes to Minden or 25 minutes to Haliburton. Beautifully treed with majestic pines, lovely view. This lot is partially cleared with driveway in, site inspection report for sewage permit is available. Build your retreat here!



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Head Lake - \$129,900
This very affordable winterized cottage/home is very tastefully decorated and well appointed. Where else can you find a cottage on a 5 lake chain for such a great bargain with a western view of Head Lake and with year round use? You can walk or boat into town to do your shopping or cruise the 5 lake chain! Great Value! A Must See!



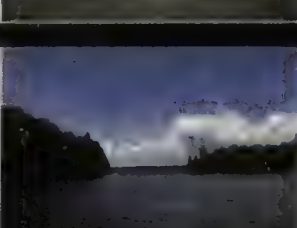
Calico Road - \$389,900
Charming 3 bedroom, 2 bath all brick country home with double attached garage situated on a picturesque 5.13 acre lot. Sit in the screened in porch overlooking the pond and watch the wildlife and waterfowl. 2197sqft with full walkout basement provides 4400sqft of living space. The kitchen features built-in appliances which are included. Paved drive, huge games room, privacy and only minutes to town. Adjacent lot also available to purchase for additional space and privacy.



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Boughner Road - \$239,900
3br 'ranch style' on 10 ac lot only 10 min from Haliburton Village. Open concept living area. Sunken LR w/pine cathedral ceilings. Large master br with 3 pce ens. Full walkout bsmt with family rm, recrm (pool table area), 2 pce bath, laundry/utility area & separate workshop. Beautiful gardens, absolute privacy.



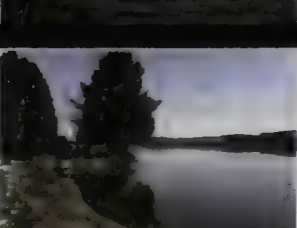
Hurricane Lake Acreage - \$208,900
Pretty 16.9 ac waterfront. Rolling acreage, treed With 300 ft clean shoreline. Suitable for home or cottage.



Lynda Litwin
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Bat Lake - \$550,000
This 1.65 acres parcel offers 590 feet of shoreline. The open concept 2 bdrm cottage with the covered porch and upgrades is in move in condition. There are 2 sleeping cabins for the overflow. The double garage provides loads of storage. Call to view this property.



Gull Lake - \$369,000
Enjoy 110' of rock shelf shoreline on Gull Lake with long lake views. This 3 bedroom cottage is turn key and ready to go. Large entertainment deck, cozy wood stove and fantastic master bedroom balcony are only some of the features to enjoy here. Call to view.



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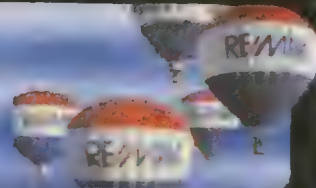
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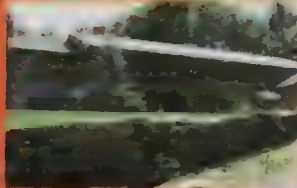
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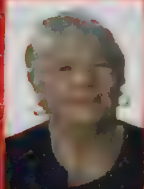
Kushog Lake - \$509,000

Located on beautiful Kushog Lake, known for its miles of boating and great fishing you will find this well built 4 bedroom home that shows pride of ownership - from the brick exterior with interlocking lapsiding (for a cedar look) - to the awesome waterfront with stairs that go right into the water. The original 20' X 12' cottage is on the original shore allowance and is currently being used for storage. The beautifully maintained yard has lots of low maintenance



Billings / Wolfe Lake - \$264,900

Traditional 3 bedroom cottage on an extremely level lot with 100 feet of frontage. Great shallow, sandy bottom for children, miles of boating fun and great fishing are just a few of the things that this property offers. Sit and watch the activities on the lake from the new 8' deck that wraps around



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Haliburton Lake - \$429,000

this cozy and renovated 4 season, 2 bedroom cottage/home with full insulated basement is definitely a must see. Many upgrades since 1998 include: wrap around upper deck, pine kitchen cupboards (2010), windows replaced in 2009, central air, drilled well, septic, siding, steel roof oil tank, insulated above ground basement w/ some drywall/two walkouts to name a few. Very private & slightly elevated lot w/ 100' and fabulous view/gentle access to clean shoreline that offers sandy area or deep shore. Located on lovely bay on South Bay and on quiet dead end road.

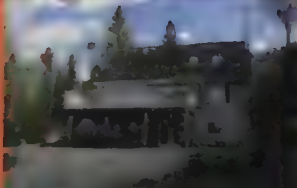


Paradise Lake - \$329,900

Lovely well maintained home or cottage on year round dead end road. Privacy Plus; 2 could be 3 bedrooms, electric baseboard heating, airtight wood stove in L/R. Full bathroom and septic. Dug Well, over 300 ft of shoreline and good sand entrance to lake. Comes ready to move in Winterized with full perimeter wall. Heaters in crawl space. Quiet lake and large play area for children. Garage/work shop and 2 storagesheds. Owner wants to well.



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Close to Town - \$279,000

This bright and spacious 3+1 bedroom home is beautifully landscaped with a waterfall, perennial gardens and privacy all just outside of town. Livingroom has cathedral ceiling with skylights with walkout onto a large deck. Two full baths, one with Jacuzzi tub, large kitchen/dining room with walkout to backyard and a great rec room downstairs. New high-efficiency propane furnace keeps utility costs to a minimum.

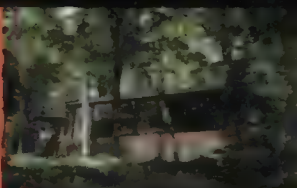


5-Lake Chain - \$724,999

Cozy but roomy, this cottage or home is perfect for family or entertaining. Warm pine cathedral ceilings, hardwood and tile floors, custom kitchen cabinets and backsplash complete rooms that are impeccably decorated. Luxurious master bedroom with whirlpool tub overlooking the lake make it a place for relaxation. With a level lot, wonderful dock and hard packed sand everyone can enjoy the waterfront. All this easily accessible from a municipal road and just minutes to Minden and Haliburton.

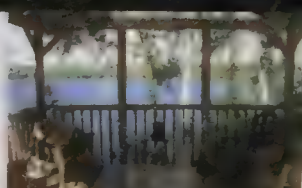


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Glamor Lake - \$269,000

Magnificent View of Big Glamor Lake and a Cozy Cottage! Screened and Glassed Sunroom Across the Full Length of Cottage To Enjoy Your Big Lake Views! Separate Bunkie for Guests! Lakeside Deck! Sand/Rock Shoreline for Great



Lake Kashagawigamog! \$354,900

Great Large Family Cottage! Enjoy Magnificent Sunsets from your Screened Gazebo! 120 feet of Sand and Rock Shoreline! Big Lake View! Large 3 Bdrm Cottage Plus a Bunkie that Can Sleep 6! Great Swimming, Boating & Fishing on this 5 Lake Chain!



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Home & Acreage - \$329,000

This beautiful 4 bdrm. home sits on 75 acres overlooking a pond. The long driveway gives you plenty of privacy. Features of this home include: a sunroom, a screened porch, airtight woodstove in the living room, propane stove in the main floor family room, main floor laundry room, double detached garage, greenhouse, generator panel, central vac and numerous other upgrades. Call today for your

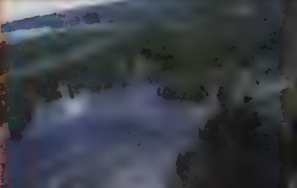


Drag River - \$179,000

A charming 3 bdrm. home/cottage, with plenty of level area for the kids to play, set on a great canoeing/kayaking route. Features include: laminate floors, FAO furnace, large deck with awning, uv water system and a shed for your outdoor equipment.



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Dreaming of your Own Lake - \$879,000

You must see this fabulous property - 270 Acres of rolling trails & complete Privacy to do your own thing around on and in your very own lake! All this with a charming home and right in Carnarvon for only \$879,000!



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Make sure to see this Beautiful 4 Bedroom 4 Season Home on this big 5 lake chain. There is no other this fine with artist's own touches to this complete renovation. Call Peter Today for a full tour and plan to stay! Now Only \$439,000



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Neguanee Lake Access - \$179,900

1864 Trappers Trail Absolutely charming country home tastefully decorated - open kitchen & living area - w/o dining room to deck - freshly renovated bathroom, windows, flooring, trim and doors, new roof 2009, 2 bedrooms, utility room or 3rd. Bedroom, 2 lots plus deeded access to Neguanee Lake - close to Miskwabi Lake access and boat launch.



Gull River Home - \$269,900

Spectacular lot and tastefully finished country home or cottage - 1700 sq. ft. plus partially finished basement - huge oak kitchen with loads of cabinets - separate dining room - w/o living room to deck with fieldstone fireplace - 4 + 1 bedrooms - 2 bathrooms - w/o family room - airtight fireplace - septic (2005) - beautiful landscaped lot - sauna at river - close to Minden or Gull Lake for miles of boating water sports - quiet setting Asking - \$269,900

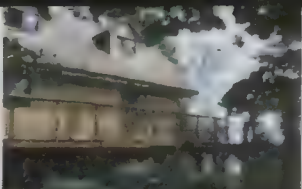


Terry Carr
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Home OR Cottage - \$225,000

This 4 season home or cottage is perfectly located to give you a view of beautiful Kushog Lake! This bright 3 bedroom, 2 bath home offers a large kitchen/dining area and great living room with oak cabinetry, pot lights, and a front porch for hours of relaxation. Located on 2.13 acres, partially wooded, with tons of privacy.

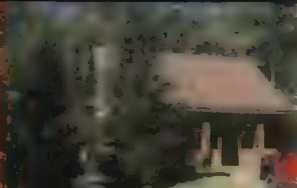


Two Properties For One Price - \$699,000

Room for the whole family! Cozy and bright cottage or home with huge deck overlooking a spectacular lake view. Combination waterfront with two separate dock areas as well as a lakefront entertainment deck. A large, low maintenance well treed lot with dramatic rock faces and perennial gardens. A double detached garage, heated and insulated includes a fully appointed and independently serviced, 2 bedroom guesthouse backing on hardwood bush with trails throughout. A granite patio with fire pit completes the landscaping. THE PLUS - a separately deeded waterfront lot with clearing, driveway and acreage! Great value.



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Plantation Road Log Home - \$194,000

Totally renovated log home/cottage located on over 3 acres of wooded privacy. New kitchen, new flooring, new bathrooms, all with tasteful decor. Jacuzzi tub in main bath and separate tiled shower. 2 good sized bedrooms and pot lights everywhere. Gas fireplace on main floor, 24' X 8' screened porch and 16' X 16' workshop. Move in ready. Above ground pool with attached walkway to laundry/mud room.



Denna Lake Road - \$294,900

A rare find! Charming and very private, this unique home on 28 acres is just 10 minutes from Minden. Newer septic, new above ground pool built into deck adjacent to the house. Fully insulated 14' X 14' bunkie, several sheds, manicured grounds and gardens, a small pond and numerous groomed trails throughout the property. Main floor laundry and a Napoleon woodstove in the living room. In the kitchen you can see some of the log walls from the original building. The kitchen has hardwood floors, a vaulted ceiling and the gorgeous Elmira Cookstove is included.

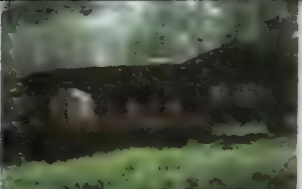


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Elephant Lake Rd - \$169,450

MUST SELL! ALL OFFERS CONSIDERED! OWNER HAS BEEN TRANSFERRED... 3 bdrm home, spacious, well maintained and private setting. Newer kitchen, new propane furnace, large rooms, also includes barn and large garage. A must see if you are looking for A DEAL! Call me today for all the information.



Spruce Lake - \$429,900

Conveniently located just 5 minutes from Haliburton Village, this 3 bedroom cedar panabode log cottage has charm written all over it. Very cozy and warm, lots of wood inside, level lot, sand beach and a 2 lake chain, Spruce Lake and Drag Lake



Rick Forget*, Iona Fevreau, Mary Hamden and Steve Pogue**
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Dark Lake - \$184,500

Beautiful level lot with 378 feet of shoreline. Mature pine trees and great view across the lake. Very privately situated. Older nicely renovated 2 bedroom cottage, with newer thermal windows, laminate flooring, dry wall and pine, insulation added, decking, and 10x20 cedar floating dock. Outbuilding insulated & heated with compost toilet. Tractor shed attached. Another 8x12 shed for snowmobiles. Located on a year round road just north of the village of Wilberforce, mid way between Haliburton and Bancroft. Cottage country noted for its fabulous scenery. Great fishing, snowmobile



Clement Lake - \$264,900

Small quiet lake stocked with Rainbow and SM Bass. Spacious 3 bedroom cottage with a beautiful view of undeveloped shoreline. Tastefully decorated with bright interior finishes. New appliances, modern furnishings included, ready to move in.



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Local anglers Bird and Coumbs still hurting after Bassmania controversy

■By: Terrance Gavan - Voice Sports

Denial, anger, bargaining, depression and acceptance. The five stages of grief. Two local anglers are currently mired in number four. It may take a while for number five to kick in. We all, I think, can relate.

Scott Bird and his fishing partner Chris Coumbs - owner of The Wild Outdoors store on Highland Street - are sitting in McKeeks. It's Monday night, a full week after the Bassmania Championship Event, held Labour Day weekend (Sept 3-5) in Haliburton on the chain of five lakes.

And grief, stage four, is etched on their faces; you can still hear it resonate in their voices; grief and depression commingling; above and through the background din in the local sports bar.

The question that hangs in the air is cogent, concise and poignant.

What do you do when the tournament you've been working a year for is suddenly yanked from your grasp?

One thing you can do is set the record straight.

You see, this is a small town.

There are reputations at stake.

Rumors abound.

Again, I think most of us can relate.

The topic of conversation rolling and rumbling around the local fishing community last week centered on why Bird and Coumbs had not put their boat in the water.

Why they had not been allowed to fish in a tournament they had clearly earned the right to be in.

Why two of the early favorites and local heroes had been asked to withdraw their boat from the \$128,000 Bass Championship.

I called them up and they graciously agreed to meet with the Voice, even though both were clearly uncomfortable with the spotlight.

Both said they didn't want to point accusatory fingers, just to let Haliburton know that they did not break any pre-fishing regulations. They did not fish in the month of August, and they did not receive any insider information.

"We didn't break any rules," says Bird, who says he's been

around these tourneys long enough to know both the letter and the intent of the rules.

But after a lengthy conversation with Bassmania event director Andy Pallotta just after the tournament dinner and tourney rules meeting on Sept 2 yhey were asked to remove their boat from the Bassmania Event.

There were allegation put forward regarding Rule 10 (see below). What concerned Bird and Coumbs was the tenor of the conversation. They maintain it was unprofessional. They were asked to withdraw and they feel they were not accorded a proper airing of the facts.

Both Bird and Coumbs say they were left non-plussed. They asked for an explanation. They offered to take a lie detector test. (Oddly enough, lie detectors, despite their known issues, are used at pro bass events to ensure that the winners have not transgressed any of the stringent rules.) All to no avail.

Rule 10 states: "There shall be no advantageous third party communication on or off the water during the event with competing or non-competing individuals. Doing so may result in disqualification."

Bird says vehemently that he did not violate the rule. Coumbs concurs.

And here it simply devolves into a he-said, she-said, they-said argument.

For now Bird remains visibly distressed. Stage four.

Not angry. Not remorseful. But hurt.

That's what happens in the churning wake of crushed dreams.

"I'd just like to tell all the people in the area who were behind us that I appreciate their support," says Bird. "And I'd like to tell them that we didn't cheat ... why would we? We knew that we had a very good chance to finish well in this tournament. I feel that I was wrongly accused."

For Coumbs, it remains a question of honor.

"If someone could bring the facts to me and say that we did cheat, I'd like to see them," says Coumbs.

For both anglers the pangs of the ouster still lie heavy on their minds and in their hearts.

A burden much heavier than the four and five-pound largemouth they had envisioned catching last weekend.

If you're not a fisherman; if you've never had the chance to compete for your home town in a championship tourney; well, it may all seem just a tad confusing.

Both Coumbs and Bird concur on one analogy that might tweak some lonesome memories of loss and depression for some of you non-anglers out there.

"It's no different than the Leafs playing for the Stanley Cup at home, and then being told that you can't go on the rink," says Coumbs.

It's the one time all night that Coumbs and Bird were able to muster half-hearted smiles.

"I felt really good about our chances, and with us being from here, well that made it so much better," said Coumbs. "And with our second place finish in the tournament here on July 1st, I felt that we had a very good chance to win it."

"I won it last year, (the one day tourney in 2009)," says Bird. "We came second this year and I've done well in a lot of tournaments. We had a good chance of doing very well."

And as for the fifth stage?

Acceptance.

Well, that will come in time.

For now, they just want to be square on a couple of points.

They did not withdraw from this tournament voluntarily.

They proclaimed their innocence well into the evening after the rules meeting on Thursday, Sept. 2.

And they feel they were unjustly accused of an infraction of Rule 10.

"We'd like everyone to know that we didn't break the rules," says Bird. "You will never understand how I feel. I do everything by the rules. It's my job to do everything by the rules."

And for everyone who knows Scott Bird - and Chris Coumbs.

That's a robust and bankable statement.

And an integral part of that tough fifth step.

Both add that they purposely wanted to leave names out of this discussion.

The anger is gone.

But.

The grief remains.

Acceptance - coming. □

Charlie Teljeur wants you - and your hockey stories

■By: Terrance Gavan - Voice Sports

There's something about this place. And no, it ain't the water.

Bernie Nicholls, Ron Stackhouse, Matt Duchene, and by adoption and first steps on ice, Cody Hodgson.

Parry Sound has Bobby Orr.

West Guilford, Haliburton and the Highlands have four NHL players.

Something about this place?

Of course.

But what is it?

Well, if you think you know, or have any poignant stories, Charlie Teljeur would like to hear from you.

Teljeur, a local columnist, cartoonist, writer, and now budding golf television reality show star wants to leave no stone unturned in his quest for the trivial; the funny; the sad; and the happy stories. Had a brush with greatness; a chance meeting with NHL royalty; or a childhood memory?

Charlie's your man.

Call it a last chance to air that nugget. Crack that chestnut.

Teljeur is in the process of compiling a book about hockey here in Haliburton.

He's talked to all four of the players listed in the opening credits, and now he's looking for your stories.

Specifically he's searching for poignant mementoes from that frozen pond shivering inside your noggin.

No story too trivial. No memory too vague.

The book tentatively titled, There's Something About this Place is slated for an early 2011 release.

And because Teljeur and his partner Wayne Greer will be on the road filming their new golf show "Highways to Fairways" Teljeur is enlisting the aid of local graphic artist Andrea Hilo.

"I'll be away for a number of weeks, so I'm asking that people send their stories to Andrea," smiles Teljeur, sitting in the Voice offices hot-stoving with Editor Stephen Patrick and a pesky fly on the wall.

Teljeur says that it's an idea whose time has come.

Over the years Teljeur has amassed a library of his own fondly remembered tales.

He also thinks it's absolutely astounding that an area as small as the Highlands has consistently produced so many quality hockey players.

Hodgson, who actually got his start at the Dysart Arena while his dad Chris was the standing MLA for the area, told Teljeur recently - in an interview for the book - that while he is widely recognized as a Markham product, he actually retains a close connection with his formative minor hockey experience here in the Highlands.

It ain't all about the talent.

Sometimes it's all about context, happenstance and legend.

You may have heard the story about a local lad named Stan.

Stan Riley is a student at JD Hodgson here in Haliburton.

He lives in Wilberforce with mom Cheryl and dad Ken. Ken manages the rink operations in Wilberforce.

Stan's story is a no brainer entry for Teljeur's book.

Ken and Cheryl were married close to 20 years and had tried to start a family, but without success. After 17 years, they had assumed that it just wasn't to be.

Cheryl says that they had explored options. Finally, they just decided to move on.

They travelled the country, and had recently returned home to Esson Lake near Wilberforce.

In the summer of 1996, August 3, local cottager Mike Ricci

(Colorado Avs - see Matty Duchene) brought the Stanley Cup to his cottage and held one of those now famous Cup bashes.

Sometime that afternoon, camera in hand, Ken and Cheryl walked to Ricci's place to take a picture with the Cup. Cheryl posed for a picture and kissed the Cup.

Nine months later Stanley C J. Riley - yes the C stands for Cup but is just a C on the birth certificate - was born.

Cheryl is absolutely convinced that the kiss and the cup were integral to the process - with some minor input from Ken, of course.

The story has been retold, in print, on television in most recently in a referenced anecdote in a Hollywood production.

Now, Teljeur is aware that Stackhouse, Nicholls, Hodgson, Duchene and Stan the man Riley are tough to top.

He's not looking for the spectacular.

He is looking for your memories. Some moments that rocked your world.

A story about a local barber pops to mind and Charlie suddenly lights up.

"Do you remember a Whittaker that used to live here?" asks Teljeur. "Well he used to be a barber in town - lives in Tennessee now - and he has a picture of himself cutting hair in his shop - where Perfect Prints is now - and in the chair is Bobby Orr."

So get in touch says Teljeur.

This is a book about you after all.

He wants to ensure that you all get a chance to pop a cork on a treasured memory.

And remember.

There's something about this place.

If you know something let Charlie know - soon. The book has to be completed by the end of December. Contact both Charlie and Andrea at: charlie@charlieteljeur.com and Andrea Hilo at hillo@sympatico.ca. Side note: Charlie would like to ask a man from Wilberforce who emailed him previously to get back to him ASAP, as he has lost your email address. □

Annual Haliburton Forest Trail Run only for the brave

■ By: Terrance Gavan - Voice Sports

Gailanne Joachim was a tiny speck in the distance as the clock ticked inexorably to noon.

High noon.

Important spot on the clock for the gritty Mississauga runner, who after 29 hours and 55 minutes on the trail was still minutes away from the finish line of the 17th Annual Haliburton Forest Trail Race.

Two yellow clad volunteers were pacing Joachim, urging her through the triple threat of seeping hypothermia, aching legs, and burning lungs.

She was the final person on the trail last Sunday, and the last runner in the 100 mile challenge race, which began at 6 am on Saturday morning in the Haliburton Forest Preserve.

The final participant still on the course was struggling.

Word trickled through the woods and camping area at the Haliburton Forest welcome center, the finish line for this incredibly grueling run.

Suddenly like ghosts, other racers appeared from the woods, and began to line the road.

Over 100 of Gailanne's fellow competitors and friends started to clap and yell encouragement.

Joachim was obviously spent, but hearing the crowd, even in the distance, about 500 meters away, the shouts seemed to inspire her to pick up that grueling pace.

As race organizer Helen Malmberg watched Joachim's progress still far off down that dirt road, she glanced quickly at the watch.

The look on her face said it all.

"I don't think she's going to make it," said Malmberg.

By make it, she was referring to the time restriction posted in the pre-race guidelines.

All runners who came in after 30 hours - 12 noon - were subject to a no time.

In other words, if Joachim didn't cross the line before high noon, her name would not be registered as a finisher.

The rules are in place for the best of reasons.

Thirty hours is installed as a safety measure.

And every one of those competitors knew the rules; with every tick of the clock, their shouts became more insistent; and louder.

As she jogged toward the final few steps to finish line, shouts of congratulations were deafening.

Joachim slumped with her head on her knees as support staff ran for blankets.

She was visibly shaken, and tears were streaming down her cheeks. She buried her head in a towel and didn't move for a full five minutes.

Meanwhile, Malmberg announced the official time.

29 hours, 59 minutes and 59 seconds.

How's that?
Don't believe it?

"Frankly my dear, they don't give a damn."

When she was able to concentrate, about ten minutes later, Joachim managed to muster a brave smile.

Later on, the 35 year old former high school track and field and cross country runner was able to put some perspective on the whole ordeal.

"It was tough, everything hurt, and I finally got to the point where I just wanted it to end," laughed Joachim, sitting in her car and preparing for the four hour ride home. "I pretty much had a screaming match with myself at one point trying to get myself to move it," she added.

She's been running the Haliburton event for the last 7 years and has participated in all four of the distance events - 100 mile, 50 mile, 50 K and 25 K - that make up the 17th annual trail run.

"This is my third 100 miler and I've also done four 24 hour runs and several 50 mile runs," said Joachim. "This is my seventh Haliburton trail event."

This year was perhaps the toughest race ever. Made more challenging by our friends the beavers, whose Calvinist work ethic conspired to flood some of the trails. The mud clung like quicksand in parts of the course.

"Ah yes, les castors," chuckled Joachim. "The beavers didn't help."

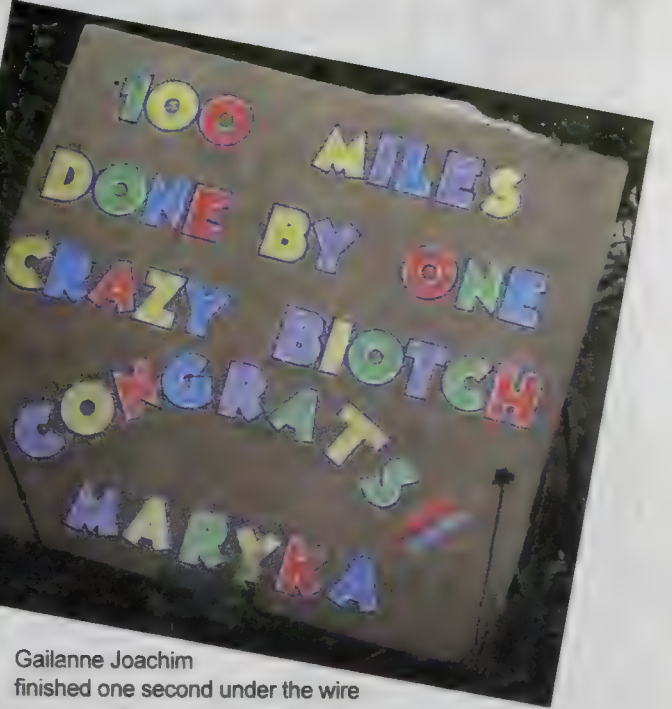
James Demer from Portland, Maine won the 100 mile event in an astounding time of 19 hours and 17 minutes.

It's only the fourth 100 mile event he's participated in and the 41 year old says he only got stuck into the sport back in 2007.

"It's my first Haliburton and my fourth 100-mile race," smiled Demer. "The arrangement I have with my family is that I do one a year. I try to pick somewhere that's beautiful and interesting and heard a lot of good thing about this race."

He was also intrigued by the beaver's lovely if somewhat untimely engineering projects.

"They dammed up a lot of places and that created some



Gailanne Joachim finished one second under the wire

challenges because it formed the kind of mud that could pull the shoe right off your foot."

But he was unerringly impressed with the personality of the track.

"The terrain is varying and every little section of trail is different than the one before," said Demer. "It's not monotonous."

Bang on - Highlands: not monotonous.

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Kathleen Atkinson-Hindle: Artist and savvy businesswoman

■By: Mark Arike - Reporter

Over the past couple of years, Kathleen Atkinson-Hindle has been working hard to establish herself as a recognizable figure in the local arts community. From toiling away over a fiery hot forge to learning the ins and outs of being a business person, travelling to shows and making sales, this 25-year-old dynamo has proven that she's a force to be reckoned with.

Working as a blacksmith and jeweller, Kathleen endeavours to "create pieces with a dramatic impact." Her hand-fabricated pieces are functional and non-functional, and each contains a raw, yet inherently elegant aesthetic.

One might find it odd, but one of Kathleen's favourite places to visit is the local dump. There she can be found scavenging for long lost metal objects that once in her hands, are transformed into works of all shapes, sizes and purposes. For her it's about breathing life back into the forgotten.

And boy, has this young artist been keeping busy.

This past year, the full-time Eagle Lake resident ventured to Barrie's Georgian College to develop her skills in production work.

"It was so good to go there," Kathleen said of the jewellery and metal arts program.

"When I got there they told me that 'we don't teach people how to make art, we teach them how to make jewellery that people will buy,'" she said.

Since she graduated from the jewellery essentials and blacksmithing programs at The Haliburton School of the Arts, Kathleen was able to jump into the second year of Georgian's program. She also applied for and received a scholarship that covered part of her material costs.

To gain some ideas for her future creations, Kathleen attended the Gem, Mineral & Fossil Showcase show in Tucson, Arizona.

"[The show] made me put a new emphasis on my work with stones... I have since added more texture and character to my work," Kathleen said.

This summer she got a big boost when she became one of three local recipients to receive a Summer Company grant



Kathleen models at last year's Fashion Fallies



from the Ontario government. The program is designed to provide student entrepreneurs with start-up capital as well training in areas required to run a business.

"I really found the mentors helpful for the business classes that they assisted me in," she said of the practical skills the program taught her.

After graduating, Kathleen decided to focus more heavily on blacksmithing than ever before.

"I've been doing a lot of railings, door handles, sculptural stuff..." Kathleen explained.

In the fall she'll be setting up shop in a space on Haliburton's Industrial Park Rd.

"I'm going to continue to make jewellery at home, but the new space will be ideal for the large-scale, sculptural pieces," she said.

Kathleen admits to having a love for making the wild, out-of-this-world kind of art that suits public galleries and other commercial locations; however, she realizes that to make a career out of one's work, the key to success is being able to compromise.

"There's a balance that I have to find between the jewellery and blacksmithing. Some people want the larger projects but there's a high demand for the small, wearable forms of my artwork."

A perfect example of this was when Kathleen was out with some friends in the Toronto area. What caught her eye shocked her – in a good way.



"A classy woman was wearing a necklace of mine... it made me feel so good to know that people I don't know are wearing my work," Kathleen said.

This month, Kathleen along with a few of her feisty, female Art Hive cohorts, are organizing the fourth annual Fashion Fallies "Larger Than Life" event, set to take place in the upper level of the Dysart arena.

"I jumped on the chance to be one of the organizers," Kathleen said of the event she began modelling attire for from the start. "I feel like it's one of the best events that The Art Hive hosts and the most fun."

For the past three years the event has been held at The Art Hive, but because of its continued success, has outgrown the venue.

"It's just gotten bigger and bigger," smiled the blonde, jovial artist.

Each year the show requires wearable works and models to strut the unique creations made by local artists – and this year is no different. The deadline for written submissions is Sept. 12. The deadline for delivery of work is Sept. 19. For more information go to www.thearthive.com or call 705-754-0021.

If you're not participating, make sure to be a spectator! This year's "artrageous" show is on Saturday, Sept. 25 at 7 p.m. in the Dysart arena. In addition to the fashion show and sale, patrons will be able to enjoy music, dancing, food, prizes and much more.

Tickets are \$18 for Art Hive members, \$20 early bird, and \$25 at the door and are available at: The Art Hive, The Ethel Curry Gallery, Ommh Beauty Boutique and The Hilltop Market. □

Trustee Candidates share passion for students, education time in 10 years that seat has been contested

■By: Mark Arike - Reporter

The race is on for Haliburton County's trustee seat with the Trillium Lakelands District School Board (TLDSB).

Gary Brohman, former principal of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School (HHSS) for 17 years, has decided to toss his hat into the ring for the position currently held by board chairwoman Valerie Smith.

"I just want to continue my journey in education," Brohman said in an interview with The Voice.

Before filing his papers on Wednesday, Sept. 1, Brohman had put a call in to Smith to make her aware of his intentions.

"I thought it was my duty to make sure I phoned her first before putting my nomination papers in. Val and I get along fine; we're

good friends," explained the man with a 38-year career in teaching, coaching and administration.

For the past 10 years that current trustee and board chairwoman Valerie Smith has held her seat, she hasn't had much competition – none in fact.

"I ran against two people when I first was elected," Smith said of when she became trustee in 2000.

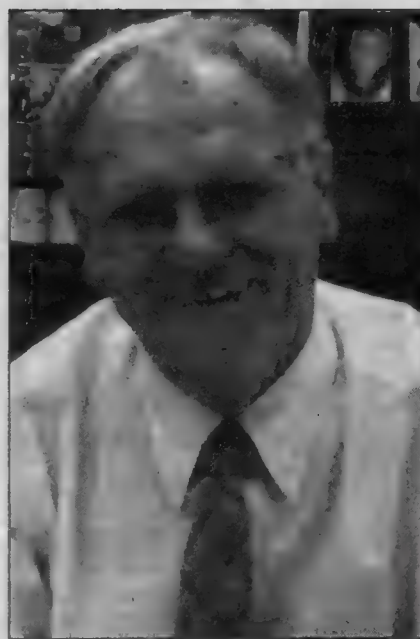
For 28 years, the Harcourt resident worked in various positions in the Durham school.

"I started as a secretary in the guidance department... there I had the opportunity to experience the trials and tribulations that young people have to go through when applying to different colleges and universities," Smith said.

It was after getting involved at the elementary level that Smith said she really found her niche.

"I really found them [elementary students] to be at an exciting age. Even though I was just a secretary I found many of them gravitated toward me," she said of her experiences with children.

In 1992 her husband, Mel, retired from his job and the pair



Candidate Gary Brohman

made the permanent move to Haliburton County (though she continued working, commuting to and from the Oshawa for six years before retiring).

Smith said that the last 10 years has been an exciting time in the board's history.

"I've enjoyed myself so much," she said, adding that she's made a point of being on many of the board's committees.

Character development programs, student nutrition, and technological advancements have all been areas in which Smith has been proud to see develop.

But there's still more work to be done, she said.

"There are initiatives that have been started and I want to see what the outcomes are going to be with them," Smith said, citing the introduction of Wi-Fi to schools as an example.

"I also want to see us build more pathways to make sure our children know what they're [career] options are. It's important that we prepare them for more than one job. Nowadays in a lifetime an adult may have to go through four or five different jobs," she said.

Smith said that at first she was surprised to hear the news of Brohman's intent to run, but added that he's a great candidate.

"He has so many talents and he's an inspirational leader," she said.

For Brohman, the decision to run was one that he considered carefully.



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Haliburton County is full of scenic routes perfect for exploring and learning on.

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"It'll be a great weekend," said Amy Brohm, organizer of the festival for the County of Haliburton. "Even avid hikers, who are familiar with the trails, can expect to learn something on these guided hikes."

Heading into its eighth season, this is the first year that the county is hosting the three-day event. In previous years the festival was hosted by the now defunct Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network.

This year's hikes are being held earlier in the season than in year's past and fewer hikes are scheduled.

"We [the county] are doing it earlier because we have to attend a consumer trade show... we also made sure to not compete with other big events like the Haliburton County Studio Tour," Brohm explained. "Because we're new to hosting this, we'd like to start smaller and build it back up to where it was."

On the Hike Haliburton Festival web site, descriptions for 14 hikes are currently listed. Brohm, however, hopes to add a few more to that list.

Open fields, mushroom patches, rare minerals and geocaching sites are just some of the many features of the various hikes which are rated by their level of difficulty.

"Some are easy, some are great for families... there's something for different interests, on some we encourage dogs, and there are challenging and longer hikes," Brohm said.

All hikes are free, but donations are welcome.

If you're interested in participating, pre-registration is encouraged. On Sept. 24 from 4-9 p.m. you can stop by the Haliburton Highlands Tourism Information on Hwy 118 during an open registration for the event. Otherwise call the centre at 705-286-1777 for more information.

You can also visit www.haliburtonholidays.com/fall/hikehaliburton.asp for more details. □

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Candidate Valerie Smith

"I looked at two different ways that I could continue my journey - one way was as a trustee, another area was getting involved in motivational speaking," he explained.

If elected, Brohman said that he will bring a "passionate and strong voice to the Trillium Lakelands District School Board table on behalf of parents, students and staff."

He said that he would be committed to: putting kids first, advocating for diversity in student programming for all schools (including special education programs), ensuring board accountability, supporting extracurricular programs and the late bus policy, and encouraging parent engagement within all schools.

When giving his opinion of the current board, and his competitor, Brohman had nothing but good things to say.

"The TLDSB is a forerunner of all the boards in Ontario, it's a very proactive board," he said. "Val has

done a good job. She's been supportive to the high school, and to the best of my knowledge, all of the schools."

Smith, who has been elected vice chair of the board twice, chair of the board twice and is a director with the Ontario Public School Association, said that the trustee job is one that requires full-time commitment.

"I travel about 2,500 km to and from four to five meetings a month, and every meeting is about two to six hours long," she said of the time spent involved sitting on numerous committees.

Brohman admits to being aware of how much of his time the position will take should he win - and that, he said, won't pose a problem.

"As a trustee you have to be available and you have to listen," Brohman said.

Election day is on Monday, Oct. 25 (same date as the municipal election). Check with your local municipality to make sure you are on the voters' list. □

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Haliburton brings out the best in Alicia Sales

■By: Mark Arike - Reporter

Alicia Sales doesn't get to visit her hometown that often, so whenever she is able to pay the Highlands a visit every moment is one worth cherishing.

The evening of Wednesday, Aug. 25 was no different as the homegrown talent graced The Highlanders Lounge in the Pinestone Resort for an intimate performance of cover songs and original work.

"I'm up as much I can be because I really love it here," Sales told The Voice. "It's [Haliburton] a part of my roots that I definitely won't ever let go of."

The 27-year-old Sales, who now lives in Toronto, is a pop artist with a self-titled album out and a number of projects on the go. As a singer she first gained notoriety at the tender age of 17 when she was recruited to be a lead vocalist for the popular tribute band The Dixie Chicklets (a group she tours with to this day).

During Wednesday's relaxed yet refreshing show, Sales was backed up by her father Brad Sales on bass and Gary Baumgartner on piano (both members of Gary and The Rough Ideas).

"To have my dad play with me is just wonderful," said Sales, who grew up with a very musical-orientated family. "He's such a great guitar player... I love to look beside me and see a face that I love and trust so much."

Sales thanked the community for the ongoing support of her music and career.

"Everybody is so willing and happy to support me. Every show that I have, every song that I sing... they're so supportive," she said.

Frank Vismeg, Managing Director of the Pinestone, was quick to endorse Sales as a talented act worthy of a repeat performance.

"We want her back every time she's available," said Vismeg.

The next time you'll be able to catch Sales in a local show will be at Haliburton's ColourFest on Saturday, Oct. 2. □

Alicia Sales with her father Brad, right, performs at a recent concert at the Pinestone Resort & Conference.



Rail Trail management still a huge challenge

■By: Liz Danielsen - Reporter

Despite being unable to decide on any firm path to follow, County Council and its Economic Development and Tourism Committee continue to consider options for the management of the Rail Trail. Last week two delegations were heard that could influence the direction that the new Council takes once it is in place.

Patrick Connor, Executive Director of the Ontario Trails Council, appeared as a delegation to provide more detailed information on trails investments and what has worked to organize trails in other areas. Much of the information provided

by Connor came from management models on the Lanark Trail, Bruce Trail and the Trans Canada Trail. Unfortunately, many of the hard statistics provided to support Connor's presentation came directly out of the United States.

"There's not a lot known about the trails industry in Ontario," he said adding that while benefits are undoubtedly derived from the industry it is very difficult to determine exactly how much. He also acknowledged that there is little information available on the actual management model used for trails in Ontario.

Connor had a lot of financial information to offer, but basically the information gleaned from his review of

data indicated that trail trippers using snowmobiles offered the greatest return on investment (based on trips of approximately 600 kilometres), followed by equestrian activity and then motorcycles with hiking and walking appearing to provide the least positive impact to the local economy.

Last month Connor reported that of the 1500 different trails in Ontario, only 23 of them permit ATV's and 16 allow motorcycles, while it has been common for snowmobiles to have exclusive use of the trails during the winter. The highest percentage of those

allowed on and enjoying trails in Ontario are not associated with motorized use even though statistics south of the border suggest a greater economic return for motorized enthusiasts.

Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey commented that he saw little value in the numbers being provided without knowing the length and duration of trips.

When considering how to capture greater potential from the Rail Trail, Connor said it required political will, public involvement, professional knowledge and financing. He also commented that the County's Official Plan must be tied to the Trail's Master Plan and that each of the municipalities would have to buy into a master plan.

In order to fully capture the potential of a trail, Connor suggested that there are six management options for Council to consider. The first was an independent community trails organization where there would be no role or involvement from the County. The second was a Trails Committee or sub-committee of Council that could act as anything from an advisory committee to assuming full responsibility. The third was to establish an arm's length corporation that would develop and manage the trails and be completely independent from Council and self funding.

The fourth option listed by Connor was negotiating an agreement with a group like the Eastern Ontario Trails Alliance to lease the trail out and have it operated autonomously. Another option was a joint committee with two or more groups working to manage the trails and the last was that the County take no role in trail management at all.

Connor suggested that the trend at the county level had been to go with a community trails advisory committee operating as a sub-committee of Council.

Local environmental entrepreneur Barrie Martin had some thoughts to offer for Council's consideration, and an idea that has yet to be presented to them.

Martin, who was present solely as a 'concerned citizen, an

active community volunteer, trails consultant, avid trail user and the founder of the Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network,' suggested that the County undertake the development of a trail master plan that encompassed the entire County, something that the Rail Trail would only be a part of, albeit a major one.

Martin felt that any review of the Rail Trail Master Plan, while important, may be premature, and that a County Trail Master Plan



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- Local Residents Invited to Upcoming Public Forums to Help Shape a More Healthy, Active Community

(HALIBURTON COUNTY) – Residents of Haliburton County are invited to help create a more healthy and active community.

People are invited to attend two community forums taking place in Haliburton County during the third week of September. Both events are free and designed to promote the importance of a healthy, active community, one that includes initiatives and features that support and enable residents to improve their well-being. Everything from supporting locally-grown food efforts to promoting walking, cycling, public parks and recreational trails is on the table for discussion, according to one of the project organizers.

"Haliburton County already has many features of a healthy, active community, and our goal is to make further strides in this direction by hosting forums that get local residents involved in the conversation," says Sue Shikaze, a Health Promoter with the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit.

The first community forum, called Close to Home: The Case for Locally-Grown Food, takes place on Tuesday, September 21, from 7 to 9 pm, in the Great Hall at Fleming College's campus (297 College Dr.) in Haliburton Village. Guest speaker is Jeff Kohl, of the Ontario Healthy Communities Coalition who is also active in the local food movement in his hometown of Perth, Ontario. People attending the grow-local forum will find out how local food systems contribute to healthy, active communities, as well as ways that they can get involved in the effort. Refreshments from local food producers will also be available for sampling.

For more details on either of these community forums, call the Health Unit at (705) 457-1391.

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would provide a clearer understanding of the broader trails perspective before zeroing in on the Rail Trail.

"Does the Rail Trail need to be all things for all people?" he asked. He suggested that there may be other trails or areas that could be used by Enduro bikes and that shared use should be considered County wide.

"A county wide plan could mitigate the differences between the user groups and help to define governance models, something that map planning would help."

Martin acknowledged that there may not be a lot of money available for trail development, but the county would have a plan in place to move forward should funding become available. "A broader plan would identify the types of trail use that should be accommodated and where and how trails will be shared, maintained and developed over the next five to ten years and help to insure the full economic potential of recreational trails. It would identify the most suitable trail locations for trail uses to ensure that benefits are maximized and that the environmental and social impacts are minimized."

Martin commented that a broader master plan would help to ensure that trail development, management and promotion of trails were done in a more integrated manner. He also suggested that the approach he was suggesting was consistent with the goals of the Ontario Trails Strategy and something that many other jurisdictions were doing.

Committee Chair Jim McMahon commented that Martin's points were well taken.

The other community forum, entitled Towards a More Active Haliburton County, takes place on Thursday, September 23, from 7 to 9 pm at the Minden Hills Community Centre. The featured speaker at the forum is Gil Penalosa, executive director of 8 – 80 Cities, a Canadian-based non-profit group that promotes healthy communities. Penalosa, who is a renowned international speaker and consultant, and former Commissioner of Parks and Recreation for the City of Bogota (Columbia), is a big believer in promoting walking and bicycling, as well as parks, trails and public spaces, as a way to improve quality of life in a community.

The forum will look at what is being done to make Haliburton County a more healthy and active community, and what further inroads can be made towards this goal. Says Penalosa: "(Haliburton County) is taking an important step toward championing walkability. Bringing people together to share their ideas and experiences of walking in their own communities is a fantastic way to motivate change."

Prior to the community forum on September 23, Penalosa will meet with interested participants at 6:15 pm at the Minden town docks on the Gull River. People can join Penalosa for a stroll along Minden's Riverwalk, after which they can walk to the community centre. Penalosa's presentation coincides with the Hike Haliburton Festival, which is an opportunity for local residents and visitors to hit the trails and try the diverse lineup of hikes provided by Haliburton County's tourism department (www.haliburtonholidays.com).

Dysart Deputy Reeve Bill Davis chuckled and said, "The Rail Trail Master Plan has given people a lot of headaches and this idea could mitigate those or create even more."

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison inquired whether Martin was including her municipality's water trails in the equation. Martin, agreeing that the water trails were well established and could continue under its existing management model could be included in the master plan he was proposing.

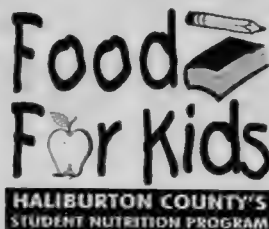
This concerned Harrison, who said, "The trails are well managed now and I would not want to muddy the waters of something that is working well. It has been a long process and I do not want to see it disrupted or interfered with. It could be drastic, so we would have to find a balance."

Martin said that he had no argument with the fact that it was an excellent model of trail management. "It is inspirational. I don't share your fears as people are having a wonderful experience there and it would be a solid piece of any master plan."

Harrison commented that the more people that are put into the management of something, the more complicated it becomes.

Martin said, "All of the municipalities have trails and trail potential so there could be a county wide plan. It needn't interfere with anything at the municipal level."

The committee received both presentations as information, but there is no question that Martin's presentation created considerable food for thought. □



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Local group leaps into online fundraising

■By: Laura Redman - Reporter

Local voters can get into excellent voting shape by voting daily online for a local social housing organization.

Places for People is now participating in Pepsi Canada's new philanthropic and populist project. Okay, all alliteration aside, the local social housing organization, Places for People, has jumped into the Pepsi Canada's Refresh Everything Contest, and they need daily online votes to support their proposal to win \$100,000 to help them move forward to build more social housing in Haliburton County.

Pepsi Canada is now offering a million dollars a year - \$200,000 every other month - to individuals, charities and organizations across the country in six different categories that can come up with a legitimate fundraising initiative - and who can then muster the most votes for their idea.

Using an online voting system, Pepsi Canada has jumped into the growing and powerful populist form of fundraising for charities. Heather Reid, a board member with Places for People, admitted that she lives rural and can't vote from home because of her dial-up Internet. When asked if the concept of fundraising by populist vote is therefore "fair process" - given that rural Internet disadvantage, and given the fact that project merit or actual social need could be set aside for the most populist campaign, Reid was thoughtful.

"There are two sides to that coin," Reid said. "Organizations spend so much volunteer or paid staff time writing grants that are so intricate and detailed and complicated. It's so time consuming and expensive."

Reid called the Pepsi concept "interesting."

"The application process was very straightforward - and maybe the winners are a reflection of how many people think your idea is fantastic and also a priority in your community."

Fay Martin is the president of the Places for People board. The organization opened their first social housing project on February 1 of this year - a duplex in Haliburton village - that is now tenanted at a rent-geared-to-income rate.

"We're looking for this \$100,000 from outside the community to pay off the mortgage at 19 George," Martin said, adding that they could then use the equity in that duplex property to build their next project.

When asked about the idea of 'fairness' within the online voting process, Martin said, "That's an interesting angle. We get so accustomed to the idea that we have to try harder in rural communities to do the same things that are done in urban centres, we forget," Martin said.

"It's very hard to do rural social housing - it's very hard to do social housing anywhere... but it's assumed that people who have made the 'choice' to live rural - and I use that word in quotes because for some it's not a choice - but it's sort of a given that we accede some of our rights as citizens by choosing to live rural."

Dev Aujla, Pepsi Refresh Project Ambassador, has the job of supporting grantees, and he said that living rural shouldn't be an issue in the contest - that Pepsi Canada has worked hard to make sure that the website is accessible from all forms of Internet, including dial-up.

Aujla said that the Project was just launched on June 1, and that

it's exciting because tiny organizations can now compete with larger ones by mobilizing support within their community. "It's like running a successful political campaign."

Aujla said that using social media like Facebook and Twitter to help attract online voters is obvious, but some groups have also resorted to having voting parties to round up votes - a tactic he says is especially successful on school campuses across the country.

When asked if the money is going to serve the greatest need, Aujla insists that it should be.

"Need is determined by people in the community, so if there is a pressing need and people rally behind it, then the funds should go where they're intended," he said, adding that some really small projects in really small communities have qualified for funding in the first round.

"If you have 200 people really committed to voting, you're just going to skyrocket," Aujla said. He also said that for some groups, the response in their community has surprised them.

"It's an amazing experience," Aujla said. "One group mobilized their community and then realized they actually had a community."

Places for People was in 27th place in the running for the \$100,000 prize as of last week, but the Lion's Camp Dorset, the Lion's resort for people on kidney dialysis is also in the running for the same \$100,000, and as of last week, was in third place.

To place your vote, go to the contest website at www.refresheverything.com, and to help Places for People move up in the standings, vote online every day until October 31.

The City of Kawartha Lakes recently earned a place on Canada's monopoly board, by garnering votes in a similar online voting contest.

Here's an opportunity to walk with a lion... and a dog.

On Saturday, Sept. 26, the Haliburton and District Lions Club hosts the 2010 Purina Walk for Guide Dogs. This year marks the third annual for the walk, and Linda Heeps has just taken over as event chair.

"Every penny goes to support and to raise guide dogs," Heeps said.

Former event chair David Mills explained how the use of guide dogs in Canada has grown - of course, there are still the canine vision dogs, but now there are also hearing ear, special skills, autism assist and seizure response guide dogs.

Mills said the special skills guide dogs are trained to open doors, turn door knobs and pick up dropped items for the disabled. Seizure response dogs are for people suffering from epilepsy and the dogs recognize the change in a person when a seizure is imminent and are even trained to break a fall. Autism assist dogs are a new program, Mills said, and the dogs are trained to calm down autistic children when they're in high-stress situations.

"It costs between \$20-25,000 to train and pair up a dog with an owner," Mills said, adding that there is also a guide dog breeding program.

Registration for the walk starts at the docks at Head Lake Park at 12 p.m. and the walk will begin at 1 p.m. Coffee and snacks will be provided. The walk takes about an hour, heading up to the high school and then around the track and back to the docks. Dogs on leashes are welcome to join in.

Sponsor sheets are now available at West Guilford Shopping Centre, Henwood's Variety, Haliburton Veterinary Services and The Grooming Studio. All who participate will receive a gift bag and those who raise more than \$150 will also receive a bonus gift from Purina.

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- 5 Taxing time?
- 10 Thousand —, CA
- 14 — vu
- 18 Soap additive
- 19 Range rope
- 20 Tall story?
- 21 25 Across maneuver
- 22 Start of a remark by Henny Youngman
- 25 Skater Lipinski
- 26 Settled on the sofa
- 27 Pump part
- 28 Pressing need
- 29 Runny-mede's river
- 31 Morning moisture
- 32 Baltic city
- 34 Sault — Marie, MI
- 35 Chop
- 37 Part 2 of remark
- 46 Silly Soupy
- 48 Designer Ricci
- 49 Mrs. Nick Charles
- 50 Parent
- 51 Folklore figure

- 52 AAA offering
- 53 "— the Dog" ('97 film)
- 54 Ballroom dance
- 55 Fabric ornament
- 57 Mil. honor
- 60 Casanova, for one
- 62 Caviar
- 63 Wagner's "— Rheingold"
- 64 Vaudeville's Tucker
- 66 Islamic title
- 67 Part 3 of remark
- 70 Frank or Dweezil
- 74 Greet the general
- 75 Peculiar
- 77 "A mouse!"
- 80 Biblical city
- 82 Nice season
- 83 German shepherd
- 85 Cropped up
- 86 Goal
- 88 Pub order
- 89 Elbow
- 90 Quindlen's "One — Thing"
- 91 Paper quantity
- 93 Trauma aftermath

- 94 "Die Fledermaus" maid
- 95 Part 4 of remark
- 100 Prospector's prize
- 101 Time to evolve?
- 102 Travel with Tonto
- 103 "Tell — About It" ('83 hit)
- 105 Mideastern mall?
- 109 Singer Lesley
- 111 Iowa city
- 113 Task
- 116 Prayer finale
- 117 End of remark
- 122 Tilt
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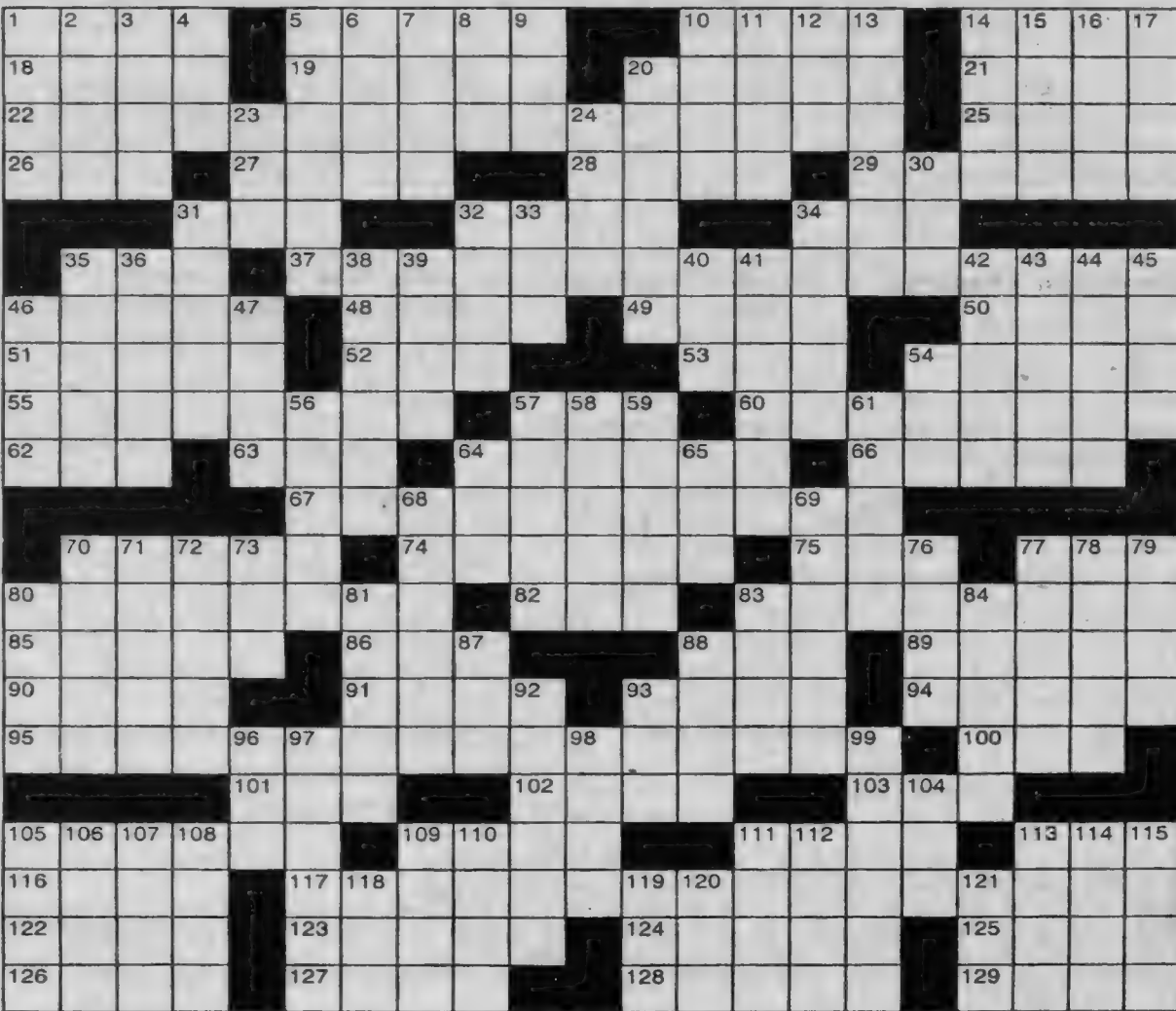
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- 9 Chou En —
- 10 "Beetle Bailey" dog
- 11 Like — of bricks
- 12 Rib
- 13 Diva Renata
- 14 Base stuff?
- 15 Final
- 16 Actor Burns
- 17 "Oh, woe!"
- 20 With — of salt
- 23 Employ
- 24 Imminent
- 30 Female fowl
- 31 Reside
- 32 Artist Magritte
- 33 Call — day
- 34 Play ground?
- 35 Silent star?
- 36 Wed in haste
- 38 Torrent
- 39 Speck
- 40 Right away
- 41 Concrete component
- 42 Fuming

- 43 Bottled spirit?
- 44 Cartoon Viking
- 45 '82 Jeff Bridges film
- 46 TV's "— Search"
- 47 Coasted
- 54 Pro — (for now)
- 56 Doha's country
- 57 Holmes' creator
- 58 Teapot part
- 59 Coal conveyance
- 61 Must-haves
- 64 Police hdqrs.
- 65 — de France
- 68 More pallid
- 69 Jacket
- 70 Bernardo's boss
- 71 Romance
- 72 Puzzling problem
- 73 Affix meaning "before"
- 76 Delany or Wynter
- 77 Duck down
- 78 Bald bird
- 79 Patella's place
- 80 Gangsters' guns
- 81 Composer Copland

- 83 Fruit-tree spray
- 84 English dynasty
- 87 Welcome item?
- 88 Lot size
- 92 Udall or West
- 93 Lay down the lawn
- 96 Nay opponent
- 97 Setup
- 98 Appearance
- 99 Automobile, informally
- 104 Kreskin's letters
- 105 Bound bundle
- 106 Author Kingsley
- 107 Gusto
- 108 Relative of 73 Down
- 109 Prepare to bear it
- 110 — even keel
- 111 Choir member
- 112 Chow —
- 113 Boxer LaMotta
- 114 Model Carre
- 115 Crooked
- 118 Seville shout
- 119 Chew it!
- 120 — -Cat
- 121 Peke's perch



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Earthweek: A Diary of the Planet

By Steve Newman



Eaten Into Oblivion

Some of humankind's closest relatives are literally being eaten to extinction, according to wildlife experts. A new study of human settlements in the most remote parts of the Democratic Republic of the Congo shows that chimpanzees have become the victims of a "wave of killing" by bushmeat hunters. Meat from the primates is sold openly in the markets of Kisangani and smaller towns, where officials are failing to enforce the ban on killing chimps. "I was actually astonished to see the sheer quantities of bushmeat being taken out of the forest," researcher Cleve Hicks of the University of Amsterdam told the U.K.'s *The Guardian* newspaper. Hicks says that the killing of adult chimps has left a large number of young orphans, many of which are captured and kept as pets.

Guatemalan Tragedy

A week of torrential rainfall in western Guatemala unleashed tons of mud and rock that killed 45 people when they were buried alive in scores of separate slides. The country's president, Alvaro Colom, described the disaster as a "national tragedy." Accompanying floods washed away sections of the Inter-American Highway, burying a bus and knocking several other vehicles off the road. There were numerous reports of survivors across the country managing to dig themselves out after being buried by a landslide. The wettest weather in 60 years has taken the lives of about 225 people so far this year in various weather-related disasters. Tropical Storm Agatha alone killed 165 Guatemalans in May. A U.N. report published last year on the effects of climate change listed Guatemala as among the 10 countries in the world at greatest risk from resulting disasters.

Bug Brain Antibiotics

Brain tissues and the nervous systems of insects may provide the next line of antibiotic defense against emerging superbugs that have become resistant to drugs. Researchers from the U.K.'s Nottingham University discovered that molecules found in cockroaches and locusts are toxic to MRSA and E. coli bacteria, without harming human cells. The scientists say they're currently identifying the exact chemical ingredients that can kill bacteria and other pathogens. Speaking at a meeting of the Society for General Microbiology, researcher Simon Lee said: "We're a long way from these being active drugs."

Tropical Cyclones

Tropical Storm Hermine produced torrential rainfall and scattered tornadoes as it made landfall in far northern Mexico, then cut a path northward through Texas.

- South Korea and Japan were drenched by Tropical Storm Malou. Some Japanese communities received nearly 20 inches of rainfall — the highest amount ever for a single storm.

- Igor formed near the Cape Verde Islands, and was expected to become at least a Category 2 hurricane.

Earthquakes

New Zealand's second-largest city was under a state of emergency after a 7.1 magnitude quake wrecked hundreds of buildings, cracked roads and ripped a new 11-foot-wide fault across Christchurch. There were no reports of fatalities due to the overnight temblor, which struck the South Island early on Sept. 4.

- Earth movements were also felt in northern New Zealand, Fiji, Indonesia's Sumatra and Sulawesi islands and northern Japan's Hokkaido Island.

Sumatran Blasts

Indonesia's Mount Sinabung continued to erupt for a second week, producing its most violent activity since it roared back to life after remaining dormant for 400 years. More than 30,000 people living along the volcano's fertile slopes have been evacuated to refugee camps, mosques and churches in nearby villages. Vulcanologists fear that a much more destructive explosion could occur in the coming weeks or months. But they also say it's possible Sinabung will go back to sleep after letting off steam. Torrential rains accompanying the eruption have washed large quantities of ash and mud down the volcano's slopes, inundating abandoned homes. Sinabung's awakening caught scientists off guard. Local vulcanologists failed to notice signs of rising magma, slight uplifts in land and minor volcanic tremors.

Air Mail Hazard

Canada Post was forced to suspend mail delivery to about 150 homes after a family of hawks began dive-bombing a Calgary neighborhood's letter carrier. Spokeswoman Teresa Williams told the *Calgary Herald* that the carrier started wearing a helmet when the Bayview area's birds of prey began to repeatedly swoop down. But then, one "attacked with such force, it broke her bicycle helmet," Williams said. Local residents initially welcomed the birds when they set up a nest last summer. But the hawks' instinct to protect their young has now made them an airborne hazard. Canada Post says the mail will resume once the birds leave on their winter migration southward to Argentina, which wet weather has delayed.

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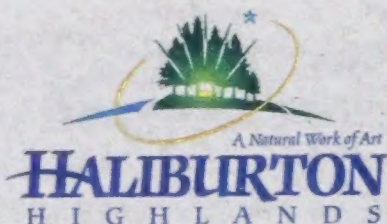
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Hike Haliburton Festival September 24 – 26, 2010



Schedule

Thursday, September 23, 2010 (Pre Festival Walk & Community Forum)

Stroll Along the Riverwalk with Gil Penalosa
Town Docks, Minden Village Easy 6:15 to 7:00 pm

Healthy Active Communities Forum with Gil Penalosa (8-80 Cities)
7:00 to 9:00 pm

Minden Hills Community Centre
Presented by Communities in Action Committee
Refreshments will be served FREE

Friday, September 24, 2010

Workshop – making Haliburton County a more active place with Gil Penalosa
Applejacks Restaurant, Highland St, Haliburton Village 9:00 am to 11:00 am
Presented by Communities in Action Committee
Refreshments will be served FREE

Hike Pre-Registration
Haliburton Highlands Tourism Office, 12340 Hwy 35 4:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Walking on the Right Side of the Brain
Haliburton Sculpture Forest, Haliburton Village 3:00 – 4:30 pm
Easy – Family

Minden Ghost Walk with Conjurors of County Town
Meet at River Cone, Minden Village 6:00 to 7:30 pm
Easy

Saturday, September 25, 2010

Circuit of Five Viewpoints with Peter Brogden
Little Hawk Lake Rd, Algonquin Highlands 9:00 to 11:30 am
Challenging – Dogs welcome

Lochlin Esker Hike with Don Wright
Warder Rd, Lochlin 9:00 to 11:30 am
Moderate – Family

Gems Beneath Your Boots with John Etches, Sandra & Mark Bramham
Green Mantle Mineral Farm, Essonville Line, Wilberforce 9:00 am to noon
Moderate – Family

Magical World of Mushrooms with Pat Burchell
Dahl Forest, Geeza Rd 10:00 am to noon
Moderate – Family

Photo Hunt with Roy Truchan
RD Lawrence Place & Snowden Park 1:00 to 4:00 pm
Easy – Family

Geocaching – GPS Treasure Hunt with Mary Barker
Monrock lake Rd, Highlands East 1:00 to 4:00 pm
Moderate – Family & Dogs welcome

Gems Beneath Your Boots with John Etches, Sandra & Mark Bramham
Green Mantle Mineral Farm, Essonville Line, Wilberforce 1:00 to 4:00 pm
Moderate – Family

Stouffer Mill Doggy Walk with Don & Jesse Pflug
Stouffer Mill Bed & Breakfast, Halls Lake 2:00 to 3:30 pm
Moderate – Family & Dogs welcome

Minden Ghost Walk with Conjurors of County Town
Meet at River Cone, Minden Village 7:00 to 8:30 pm
Easy
sponsored by Arts Alive Minden

Sunday, September 26, 2010

In Search of Harburn Wells with Yours Outdoors
Harburn Wells, Harburn Rd, Haliburton 10:00 to 11:30 am
Moderate – Family

Wildflowers & Wet Meadows with Angie Horner
RD Lawrence Place, Bobcaygeon Rd, Minden 10:00 am to noon
Easy – Family

Goin' All the Way on the Ridge with Peter Brogden
Meet at Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, North Shore Rd 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
Challenging

Beaver Dam Hike at YMCA Camp Wanakita
YMCA Camp Wanakita, Koshlong Lake Rd, Donald 1:30 to 3:30 pm
Moderate – Family

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Horoscopes

It's in the Stars

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a strong sense of what is right, and you try to work from that foundation. Friends see you as reliable.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Although practical situations continue to dominate this week, there's time for the Lamb to indulge in the fun things in life – like maybe taking a special someone out for a great evening.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) This week favors relationships. Take time to renew old ones, and make time to go where new friends can be found. On a more practical note, expect news about a business deal.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You should be seeing some progress on that new workplace situation. Meanwhile, family matters might demand more attention, and you'll want to set aside time to deal with them.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A relationship suddenly might present some challenges you never expected. After talking things out, you might want to consider taking some time to assess what you've learned.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A disappointing response to a request might dampen the Lion's spirits. But you might want to ask the reasons behind it. What you learn can be of great importance in a future undertaking.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A once-volatile situation should be settled by now, giving you a chance to refocus on a project you've been planning for. Look for an interested party to rally to your support.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A business matter that unexpectedly turns into a personal situation could create complications. Best to resolve the matter now before too much harm can be done.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Emotions can run high when they involve personal matters that no one really wants to talk about. But this could be a good time to create the means to a workable outcome.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) A positive response to a workplace request could lead the way to other long-sought changes. Congratulations. A personal situation also takes a welcome turn.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Patience pays off, as that once-overwhelming work situation continues to become easier to handle on a one-by-one basis. Look for positive news from a colleague.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It might be a good idea to take more time to reassess your next move in working out a complex situation. You could benefit from a new perspective on the matter.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might want to consider making time to discuss a change of plans with everyone concerned. Be prepared to explain your actions. Also be prepared to listen to alternatives.



Scarecrow Contest

Saturday, September 25th
Old Village Barn Square, Highland Street



CanoeFM hosts the Haliburton BIA Scarecrow Decorating Contest leading up to Colourfest 2010 celebrations!

Categories: Adult, Adult/Live, Kids, Kids/Live

Naming: All scarecrows must have a name tag or a sign for easy identification.
Themes: Be creative and use your imagination. We are not limiting entries to a specific theme.

Registration: All scarecrows must be registered from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm.

Setup: 11:00am – 1:00pm in the Village Barn Square

Winners Announced/Prizes Awarded: 2:00 pm

Prizes: Adults, Adults/Live - \$100 cash

Kids, Kids/Live - \$50 in V&S gift certificates

Setup: 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Scarecrows must be able to support themselves while on display.

Materials: You are responsible for providing all materials to construct your Scarecrow. Your Scarecrow should have all props securely fastened.

Rules & Restrictions: Purchased scarecrows are not permitted. The Haliburton BIA and CanoeFM are not responsible for any loss or damage to entries. The committee also reserves the right to use photographs of the Scarecrows for future publicity.

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FOUND – 5 stone family ring found. Please call 705-457-1853. (Oct C)

LOST – SONY camcorder at Furnace Falls, at the picnic area just north of Kinmount (off of 503) on Aug 25th. If anyone has found it, can they please contact me at (905) 794-8239. I'd really appreciate their help. I have lots of priceless family videos on it. I can give a reward to the person finding it. (Sept E)

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Wanted

WANTED – Cut birch tree branches – 10 to 12 feet long, 2-3 inches in diameter. Also cut Red dog wood branches. Please call John at 416-677-9252

Announcement

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MAPLE LAKE - \$239,900



3 bedroom cottage, south exposure on 3 lake chain. 115 feet of sandy shoreline. Cottage has lots of charm with cedar paneling throughout, dining room, outdoor entertaining on the 2 decks or the inner court yard.

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KOSHLONG LAKE - \$374,900



3 bedroom home features main floor laundry, 4 skylights, cathedral pine ceilings, nice birch kitchen, extensive decking/docking, lakeside storage shed, large 38' x 26' steel garage/workshop.

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CUSTOM BUILT HOME - \$239,900



Open concept designed home with kitchen/dining room combo with a breakfast bar, stone fireplace, refinished pine floors, jacuzzi bath, front porch and rear screened in porch viewing a pond. Double detached garage heated and insulated with a loft.

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VACANT LOTS

FRED JONES RD - \$55,000

Well treed, 7.94 acre building lot with 770.91' feet of frontage on Fred Jones Rd. Public access to Drag Lake a short walk away. Dry gradual sloping lot with many choices of building sites with great privacy.

MOUNTAIN STREET - \$59,000

Within walking distance to all amenities and restaurants. Dry level lot partially cleared with a driveway. 1.72 acres with approx. 278 feet of frontage. 2 storage barns still exist on property.

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KASHAGAWIGAMOG LAKE - \$499,900



Cottaging the way it used to be!! This vintage family cottage sits close to the waters edge offering 250 ft frontage - south west exp - private level lot - rock & sand bottom - parcels like this are a rare find!!

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KUSHOG LAKE - \$285,000



Quaint little 3 bedroom 4 season cottage/home with a huge private lot with over 390 feet of clean rock and sand frontage and 4.35 acres of land. Original hardwood floors and totally remodeled kitchen, propane fireplace, main floor laundry, upgraded hydro and wired for generator.

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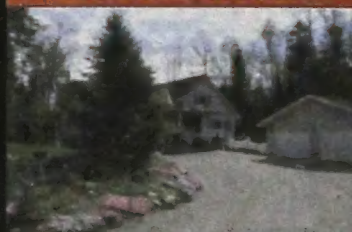
LT. REDSTONE LAKE - \$1,135,000



High end finishes and custom details including reclaimed Rock Elm and slate floors, Douglas Fir staircases and trim, maple kitchen cupboards, backup generator and stained glass and lead infused windows. 1.75 acres of level, maintenance free land.

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SOUTH LAKE - \$424,900



Meticulously maintained 3 bedroom, 2 washroom home offers 2,660 sq. ft. of luxury interior living plus exterior 40' x 28' deck area with hot tub room and screened in porch plus large covered veranda, playhouse, wood shed and double detached garage with heated work shop and attached carport.

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GOODERHAM LAKE - \$414,900



The log sided cottage offers a large open concept living room/kitchen with a floor to ceiling stone fireplace and cathedral ceilings, 3 large bedrooms, 2 baths, sunroom and there are 3 bunkies with hydro for all the kids or extra guest.

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HIGHLAND STREET HALIBURTON - \$229,500



1056 sq ft 3 bedroom bungalow - finished walk-out lower level - walking distance to Haliburton village - private fenced rear yard - limited maintenance home with \$50,000. in recent upgrades - oak hardwood & ceramic floors - upgraded wood kitchen - main floor laundry - custom window coverings - SHOWS TO PERFECTION!!

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GETAWAY CABIN - \$129,900



2.65 acres. Newer siding, doors, windows and decking. New drilled well, steel roof and shutters, partially landscaped, cedar rail fencing, gated with new circular gravel driveway.

Debbie Camber * 457-2414 ext. 24

KUSHOG LAKE - \$649,900



The 1400sq.ft., 3 bedroom Viceroy style cottage/home features cathedral ceilings, hardwood floors, gorgeous floor to ceiling stone fireplace, custom kitchen, main floor laundry and extensive decking! Don't forget the 1.5 car garage, boathouse and bunkie.

Patti Johnson ** 705-286-1234 ext. 238

ESSONVILLE LINE - \$399,999



Custom built brick home was designed with the environment in mind and includes a geo-thermal heating/cooling system, energy efficient windows, R120 insulation in the ceilings, \$10k security system, back-up generator and too many more features to list.

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KENNISIS LAKE - \$489,000



This property radiates unbelievable energy. Moss and pine needles cover the forest floor. You can almost see the fairies flitting about this point lot. Water on 3 side, breathtaking view, level lot, 3 bdrms & den, garage+studio. Furnished. 3 seasons could convert

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CRANBERRY LAKE - \$249,900



Neat & clean tastefully decorated modern open concept 3 bedroom, 1.5 washroom home on a full walk-out basement. Offers approximately 2,000 sq. ft. of living space. Comes with attached double garage.

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RETIREMENT HOME - \$159,900



Located on one acre with total privacy. 32' x 26' fully insulated garage with its own furnace. Many upgrades such as steel roof, newer oil forced air furnace, double paned windows, hardwood flooring, central vacuum.

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LT. GLAMOR LAKE - \$479,000



Home/cottage featuring rounded structure with 4 bedrooms, 2 baths, sunken living room with vaulted ceilings, floor to ceiling fireplace, screened in porch, extensive rounded deck, bunkie and garage.

Larry Hussey * 457-2414 ext. 23

MINDEN LAKE - \$329,900



275' of sandy shoreline on Minden Lake. Almost 3 acres of property. This cottage is conveniently located only 5 minutes to Minden. Easy access and at the end of a cottage road for complete privacy.

Rachel Carther * 457-2414, ext. 38

KENNISIS LAKE - \$489,500



Fully furnished, 4 season cottage, 3 bdrms, 2 baths, fireplace, pine interior, open concept, level lot, protected waterfront. Lge deck and dock.

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IRONDALE RIVER WATERFRONT - \$279,900



Open concept 3-bedroom with 150' frontage, cathedral ceilings, hardwood floors, main floor laundry, eat-in kitchen, propane fireplaces, fabulous deck, gorgeous waterfront patio and sandy beach. Comes fully furnished with all appliances.

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BOBCAYGEON ROAD - \$224,900



This wonderful property has it all!! 3 bedroom home built in 2001 with all new windows in 2010. Gorgeous setting with super view. Fully insulated double garage that doubles as a screened in games room.

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BOYNE LAKE - \$109,000



1.72 acres - 155 feet water frontage - fairly level lot - smaller quiet lake - driveway in - partially cleared - ideal for cottage or waterfront home.

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GREENS LAKE - \$349,900



Post and beam style, 3 bedroom cottage on beautiful Greens Lake. Private, great swimming and fishing. Hot tub, tiered decking, 4 season cottage/home with western exposure. Just move in and enjoy.

Rachel Carther * 457-2414, ext. 38

GROWLER LAKE - \$259,900



505 frontage - 1.6 acres - south-east facing lot - sandy rock shoreline - mature trees - driveway partially started - Growler Lake is approx 1.8 km in length - great lake to build your dream cottage.

Don Roxborough * 286-1234 ext. 235

LOTS AND ACREAGE - KINMOUNT & AREA

Crystal Lake 275' waterfront lot \$299,900

150 acres prime farm land - Baseline Rd. \$225,000

23 acres bordering Crown on Cty Rd. 121 \$59,900

Prime location commercial - Gooderham \$39,900

25 acres bordering Crown Land - Bacon Road \$34,000

125 acres off of Crystal Lake Road \$93,750

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KASHAGAWIGAMOG LAKE ROAD \$329,000



Meticulously maintained 2 bedroom home or cottage - 5 lake chain - hook ups for a 45 ft motor home/trailer - partially insulated shed could easily be converted to a bunkie - well plus lake water for outside watering - gorgeous sunset views.

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MOUNTAIN LAKE - \$449,900



Year round fun is here with this beautiful cottage/home on deep & crystal clear Mountain Lake - 2+2 bdrm ctge - large 2 storey boathouse - sandy beach - both the cottage & boathouse are fully insulated, heated & mostly finished in tongue & groove pine - large decks at the front & back of cottage - decking on 2 sides of boathouse.

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MOUNTAIN LAKE - \$289,900



You are going to like this one!! Extensively renovated 3 bdrm cottage - child friendly sand beach - boathouse - cottage features custom kitchen, upgraded windows & doors - great view of the lake.

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LITTLE KENNISIS LAKE - \$429,000



A rare opportunity to purchase a 3 bdrm 800 sq ft Panabede Cedar Log cottage on prestigious Little Kennisis Lake - 1st time offered for sale, original owner - south west view with 153 ft of shoreline - sand beach - brick fireplace - screened in gazebo.

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